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GREGORY BELFRAGE

Dr. MOSES MOSKOWITZ, dentist, identified. Recent contacts of GREGORY set out; he received a Guggenheim Fellowship to write book on Germany. ABRAHAM BROTHMAN still in contact with Kaiser-Frazer. JULES KORCHIEN is Chairman of NY-CIO Housing Committee; indication of possible KORCHIEN activities and contacts in B.A. noted and names in her notebook further identified. She expects to return U.S. soon via Puerto Rico. Details of conference between JOHN REYNOLDS, GREGORY and EARL BROWDER re latter's trip to Russia set out. GREGORY received word that BROWDER in Moscow. LAUCHLIN CURRIE back in U.S. Voice comparisons, surveillance logs, etc. strongly negative suggestion that HELEN TENNEY's last "contact" was RAY ELSON. ELSON attended Congress of Civil Rights convention in Detroit. Will resign job at N.F.C.L. about 5/16/46. Her recent activities appear to be normal; contacts identified, mostly C.P. members. JOSEPH GREGG visited Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN's office. 4/29/46 tailed by car to Seneca Falls, NY, where turned over to Buffalo Agents, returning to NY 5/4/46 and to Washington 5/6/46. GREGORY advised U.S. Service and Shipping is expanding operations; ERNEST HOPES, U.S. Department of Commerce, will assist company in its business affairs while he is in Russia. GREGORY identified only FRED ROSE from number of photos of subjects in Corby Case. HELEN TENNEY, an last two meetings with GREGORY, has given no indication of further activity and claims she has long desired to cease espionage contacts and work. MAURICE HADWIN in NYC 4/9/46. No unusual activity of ALEXANDER KORAL noted. LEON SHAPIRO and NATHAN KINHORN, contacts of CHARLES RABER, are known Communists. HOWARD HAUSMAN, contact of ALLAN ROSENBERG is C.P. member. No derogatory information developed re Mrs. LEONARD FELER, contact of HELEN TENNEY. Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN and wife continue contacts with numerous Communist and Russian sympathizers. HARRY D. WHITE in NYC 4/13/46.

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RE: MOSES AUSUBEL (S) (u)

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Joseph P. Garvey:

On January 28, 1946 a confidential informant advised that JULIA ALDER had been contacted by MILDRED PRICE. JULIA stated that her brother-in-law, Dr. MOSES AUSUBEL, was going to China to take a trip through the interior. She inquired of MILDRED as to whether she could have him contact anyone in the course of this trip. MILDRED stated that she intended to leave for Washington, D. C. on January 29th, and suggested that Dr. AUSUBEL contact a Mr. HENNINGER, who in turn would contact Mr. JAMES JOHNSON. MILDRED also advised that she knew Madam SUN YAT SEN and gave JULIA ALDER Madam SUN YAT SEN's address in China. JULIA advised that Dr. AUSUBEL was going to China under the auspices of the UNRRA. u

The files of the New York Office reflect that one Dr. M. AUSUBEL was known to have sent a communication to Governor Dewey, urging the release of MORRIS U. SCHAPPES.

The records of Selective Service Board 106, Metropolitan Avenue, Parkchester, Bronx, New York, reflected that MOSES AUSUBEL, 1411 Benson Street, New York, New York, telephone TA 9-5758, was born in Galicia, Poland on January 18, 1896. The person always knowing his address was given as Mrs. BELLE AUSUBEL, 1411 Benson Street, New York. He is self-employed.

His description was set out as follows:

Height	5' 4½"
Weight	133
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Light

The New York City Telephone Directory for Bronx County lists Dr. M. AUSUBEL, Dentist, 1411 Benson Street, Bronx, New York.

Additional investigation will be conducted to attempt to ascertain whether MOSES AUSUBEL is identical with unknown subject "CHARLIE" mentioned by Informant Gregory.

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RE: CEDRIC HENNING BELFRAGE,
with alias Benjamin] (X) u

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Lawrence W. Spillane, covering the period from April 2, 1946 to April 30, 1946 u

It was previously reported that on April 1, 1946 Mrs. GARR (ph.) of the NATIONAL CITIZENS POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, 205 East 42nd Street, New York City, spoke to BELFRAGE regarding the prices of books. A review of the files in the New York Field Division revealed that Mr. GARR is probably JOSEPH GAER, who is presently employed as the Publication Director of the CIO-PAC (X) u

It was previously indicated that Mrs. STEINBERG asked Mrs. SILVERMASTER if she had GAER's address because Mr. STEINBERG desired to visit him in New York City. Mrs. SILVERMASTER replied that her husband carries GAER's address on his person. It was further indicated that SILVERMASTER and GAER were surveilled to 3731 Appleton Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., the home of JOSEPH GAER, on November 27, 1945. It is also noted that GAER had been in contact with SILVERMASTER on other occasions and that he had been known under the nickname of SEFF. u

GAER had previously been employed by the OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, a consultant with the FARM SECURITY ADMINISTRATION in the Department of Agriculture, with the Treasury Department on confidential work, and with the War Savings Bond group as a consulting expert.

GAER has been closely associated with a number of prominent Communists, which include LOUISE ROSENBERG, BRANSTEN, LEO HUBERMAN, and JACOB ARONOFF. C. B. BALDWIN, one of GAER's references, is presently employed as Administrative Secretary to SIDNEY HILLMAN in the CIO-PAC, and he advised that he was GAER's superior in the FARM SECURITY ADMINISTRATION and that GAER had been sent to him by LAUCHLIN CURRIE who was the personal assistant to the President in 1940.

On April 11, 1946 BELFRAGE was observed by Special Agent F. J. Gallant leaving 205 East 42nd Street, New York City, at which time he was accompanied by an unidentified man who is possibly JOSEPH GAER.

* Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that on April 6, 1946 MOLLY BELFRAGE spoke to HELEN NORTH (X) u b2 b7D

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the wife of JOSEPH NORTH, a prominent subject in the New York area, and requested that Mrs. NORTH obtain information regarding the INDIA LEAGUE. Mrs. BELFRAGE stated that she was interested in getting the English out of India and she was interested in knowing whether the INDIA LEAGUE followed the Party line. She further indicated that her husband, CEDRIC BELFRAGE, had been collecting pamphlet material from CLAUDE WILLIAMS in Detroit, Michigan. (C) u

This informant further advised that on April 10, 1946 BELFRAGE attempted to contact YVETTE FUTTERMAN, who resides at a building adjacent to the KINGSCOTE APARTMENTS, 419 West 119th Street, New York City, but he was told that she could be reached at a number listed to RALPH S. BANAY, M.D., 709 Park Avenue, New York City. (C) u

Inquiry conducted at 419 West 119th Street, New York City, revealed that YVETTE FUTTERMAN had been attending COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY and that she is presently rooming in one of the apartments. (C) u

The records at COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, New York City, revealed that YVETTE FUTTERMAN was born on December 29, 1923 at New York City; that she obtained a Bachelor of Science degree at COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY on June 5, 1945, and that she obtained a certificate for secretarial studies on June 2, 1942. These records reflected that she listed her address as 418 West 118th Street, New York City; her former address as 220 Devoe Avenue, Yonkers, New York. It was further indicated that she graduated from YONKERS HIGH SCHOOL in 1940 and that her father's name is SAMUEL FUTTERMAN. (C) u

Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that on April 11, 1946 Mrs. BELFRAGE indicated that she and CEDRIC BELFRAGE would spend that evening with Dr. FROMM, who is the author of "ESCAPE FROM FREEDOM". (C) u b2 b7D

Information was obtained from the NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY, 42nd Street and 5th Avenue, indicating that ERICH FROMM, the author of "ESCAPE FROM FREEDOM", had been born at Frankfurt, Germany, on March 23, 1900. He is known as a psychoanalyst and he graduated from the UNIVERSITY OF HEIDELBERG in 1922 with a Ph.D. degree. These records reflected that FROMM married FRIEDA REICHMANN on June 16, 1926; that he was a lecturer at the INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL RESEARCH, New York City, from 1934 through 1939; that he was a lecturer at COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY during 1940 and 1941, and that he was a lecturer at the AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF PSYCHOANALYSIS since 1941. His home address was listed as 444 Central Park West, New York City.

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An examination of the telephone directory revealed that Dr. ERICH FROMM resides at 322 Central Park West, New York City.

The above informant further revealed on April 12, 1946 that Captain WALTER PILLSBURY spoke to BELFRAGE from Summit, New Jersey, indicating that he is still in the U. S. Army and he intends to return to Germany. PILLSBURY indicated that he is from Detroit, Michigan and that his mother is presently residing there. BELFRAGE requested PILLSBURY to spend the next afternoon with him at Croton-on-the-Hudson, New York. u

This informant further revealed that on April 14, 1946 Mrs. BELFRAGE spoke to ALBERT KAHN regarding the INDIA LEAGUE as to whether this group followed the Party line and she further indicated that CEDRIC BELFRAGE had received a GUGGENHEIM fellowship to write a book on Germany. u

On April 15, 1946 this informant indicated that BELFRAGE spoke to GREGORY BATESON, 72 Perry Street, New York City, and BELFRAGE indicated that he was still working on the democratization of Germany. BATESON indicated that he also received a GUGGENHEIM fellowship and he then requested CEDRIC to visit him at the MUSEUM OF MODERN ART in New York City for the showing of a Nazi film. BATESON indicated that he was specializing in analyzing Nazi propaganda films and that he was also interested in showing this film to a girl who will arrive in New York during that day and who is interested in the German Youth Organization. u

Dr. HENRY ALLEN JOE, Secretary General, JOHN SIMON GUGGENHEIM FOUNDATION, 551 Fifth Avenue, New York City, examined his records which reflected the future plans of BELFRAGE. BELFRAGE indicated that he was recently a Press Control Officer, PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE DIVISION, SHAEF, and that he will write an account of the experiment by U. S. Army officers and civilian specialists to educate the German people in and for democracy through organization of the free German press. BELFRAGE indicated he was interested in this experiment to be carried out in a manner reflecting the American concepts of democracy and that Germans should be allowed to publish their own newspapers without censorship when they were determined to be reliable. He further indicated that he was interested in attempting to bring about a revolution in the thought processes and patterns of a people through the instrument of the press.

BELFRAGE's application listed the following references:

1. GEORGE BACKER, former chief of OWI in Europe; THE BERKSHIRE, East 52nd Street, New York City.

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2. Major SHEPARD STONE, Assistant Sunday Editor of the NEW YORK TIMES.
3. Lt. Col. JAMES CHESTNUTT of the SAN FRANCISCO CALL BULLETIN.
4. STANLEY BURNISHAW, Managing Director of the DRYDEN PRESS, INCORPORATED, 386 4th Avenue, New York City.
5. KYLE CRICHTON, Assistant Editor of COLLIER'S MAGAZINE.
6. ARTHUR UPHAM POPE, Director of the IRANIAN INSTITUTE, New York City.
7. SERGE CHERMAYEFF, Professor of Architecture at BROOKLYN COLLEGE.
8. MARIA JOLAS, OWI specialist in France and Germany, 154 East 74th Street, New York City.

BELFRAGE further indicated that he intends to write a narrative of German press history and he felt that this would be a contribution to mass education science to better understand the practice of democracy.

In regard to GREGORY BATESON, Dr. MOE stated that he is the secretary of the INSTITUTE FOR INTER-CULTURAL STUDIES, New York City; that he was recently a field analyst and planner for the OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES in the Far East. BATESON indicated that he intends to study the concepts of culture, personality and character formation, especially as related to the phenomenon of cultural change.

In regard to MARIA JOLAS, who was listed as one of BELFRAGE's references for his GUGGENHEIM fellowship, it is noted that Mr. and Mrs. BELFRAGE had been previously reported to visit MARIA JOLAS at 154 East 74th Street, New York City.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York were examined by Special Employee Wade Fuller regarding MARIA JOLAS and the following information was obtained: She was described as being about 48 years of age and is the wife of EUGENE JOLAS. She formerly resided at 1049 Park Avenue, and at the HOTEL CROYDEN, 12 East 86th Street, New York City. She and her family returned from Paris, France at the beginning of the war where they had resided for 21 years. EUGENE JOLAS is described as a free lance writer and the bulk of his income is derived from a trust fund established by the deceased parents of MARIA JOLAS. Her father is the late DONALD McDONALD, former president of the LOUISVILLE GAS & ELECTRIC CORPORATION of Louisville, Kentucky. She maintains a bank account at the NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, 100 Broadway, New York City. These records further reflected that MARIA JOLAS had been a directress of NEVILLY SCHOOL of Paris, France, which had been a high class private school for children of wealthy parents.

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Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that on April 16, 1946 BELFRAGE sent a telegram to CLAUDE WILLIAMS, 420 Transportation Building, Detroit, Michigan, which read as follows: (S) u

"MEETING WARD LUNCH WEDNESDAY. WE WILL PHONE YOU ^{ABOUT} ~~APRIL~~ 230. (signed) CEDRIC" (S) u

On the same date BELFRAGE spoke to Miss FUTTERMAN and they had a discussion regarding the activities of the following evening. (S) u

On the same date BEA/GARR (phonetic) spoke to BELFRAGE in regard to the program of the PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE OF APPLIED RELIGION, and she indicated that she did not believe that FRANK WHITE would be a good chairman for their meetings. BELFRAGE indicated that CLAUDE WILLIAMS would make the decisions and he expressed an interest in having MIKE GULL represent the PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE OF APPLIED RELIGION inasmuch as he felt it was necessary to have a Catholic in their discussions. (S) u

On the same date, April 16, 1946, a person named PHILIP spoke to BELFRAGE in regard to the newspaper conditions in Frankfurt, Germany and they discussed German socialism. BELFRAGE indicated that he intends to work with JIM ARONSON who had just returned from Europe and is now writing for the NEW YORK POST. (S) u

This informant further advised that on April 19, 1946 BELFRAGE spoke to Mrs. FRICKER (phonetic) on a telephone which had the listing to ALLAN J. ARONSON, 640 West 153rd Street, New York City, and suggested she, Jim and Mary visit him at Croton-on-the-Hudson. (S) u

This informant further advised that on April 26, 1946 a man called SMITTY spoke to BELFRAGE in regard to the newspaper positions in Germany. BELFRAGE indicated that JIM ARONSON is going to assist him in the latter chapters of his book which is being written as a result of a GUGGENHEIM fellowship. (S) u

On April 28, 1946 EVE GERFEIN (phonetic) invited BELFRAGE to dinner on May 7, 1946 at 600 West 116th Street, New York City. (S) u

This informant further advised that on April 29, 1946 BELFRAGE spoke to JOSEPH GAER, who has previously been identified, and indicated that he will bring his manuscript to GAER for examination purposes. They had a discussion in regard to the book "THE GREAT CONSPIRACY" and BELFRAGE indicated that he helped KAHN do research for this book. (S) u

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Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised that on April 30, 1946 LUTHER CONANT, who has been previously identified, spoke to BELFRAGE regarding an editorial he is preparing which is built around religion. They made arrangements to visit each other during the following week. BELFRAGE expressed an interest in seeing some of the documents in CONANT's possession regarding red-baiting. (S) u

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that ALBERT KAHN indicated that BELFRAGE formerly had a 21% interest in his book "THE GREAT CONSPIRACY", but that KAHN recently bought his interest out for \$1,000. (S) u

Regarding ERNEST W. ADLER, who had previously been in contact with BELFRAGE by mail, it is noted that a representative of the U. S. Army requested information of the New York Field Division in regard to ERNEST WILLIAM ADLER, c/o BERINGER, 12 Seaman Avenue, New York City. It was noted that ADLER reportedly was born on August 21, 1914 at Frankfurt, Germany. This representative of the U. S. Army indicated that ADLER was being considered for another position and his investigation consisted of a character and loyalty inquiry. (S) u

The records of the Naturalization Bureau, 70 Columbus Avenue, New York City, were examined by Special Employee Wade Fuller for a record regarding ERNEST WILLIAM ADLER, with negative results. (S) u

As a result of a mail cover placed on CEDRIC BELFRAGE at Croton-on-the-Hudson, New York, it is noted that the following return addresses have been received from the mail received by BELFRAGE: (S) u

1. Suite 3, 135 East 65th Street, New York City.
2. Suite 712, 55 West 42nd Street, New York City (the address of DISTRIBUTORS' GUIDE, operated by EARL BROWDER).
3. THE NATION, 20 Vesey Street, New York City.
4. 200 Christie Heights, Leonia, New Jersey.
5. THE PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE OF APPLIED RELIGION, 157 Montague Street, Brooklyn, New York.
6. Two special delivery letters from Rev. CLAUDE WILLIAMS, Detroit, Michigan.
7. Room 1800, 1270 6th Avenue, New York City.
8. MARTIN E. SIEGEL, 35 Park Avenue, New York City.
9. The CIO POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, 205 East 42nd Street, New York City (JOSEPH GAER).
10. CHARLES A. H. THOMSON, 20 West Franklin Street, Kensington, Maryland.
11. A. L. HELLER, 286 East 169th Street, Bronx, New York.

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12. BARRY FOX STEVENS, Quarter Circle V-Bar Ranch, Mayer, Arizona.
 13. LESTER COLE, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures, Culver City, California.
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Regarding the return address of Suite 3 at 135 East 65th Street, New York City, inquiry at this address revealed that this suite is occupied by a number of doctors specializing in the eye, ear, nose and throat. *fiu*

Investigation is continuing in an effort to ascertain the identities and background of the associates and friends of CEDRIC BELFRAGE.

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RE: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN (S)(u)

The following investigation concerning the activities of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, JULES KORCHIEN and URSULA WASSERMAN from April 1st to April 30th was conducted by Special Agents Nicholas Kalnes and Francis D. O'Brien.

According to Confidential Informant [REDACTED] BROTHMAN has continued in his activities at his place of business, 114 East 32nd Street, New York City, and during the past month made two trips which were believed to be of a business nature, one to Washington, D. C., another to Buffalo, New York, where he reported that he had contacted members of the KAIZER FRAZER CORPORATION in regard to his contemplated plans of possible employment with that organization. Informant also reported that BROTHMAN had made a study for EDGAR KAIZER and that he had left this with KAIZER at the time he had seen him in Washington, D. C. Both of the trips made by BROTHMAN were believed to have been of one day's duration. b2 b7D

On April 23, 1946, MIRIAM MOSCOWITZ, secretary to BROTHMAN, attempted to make reservations for travel between San Francisco and New York City, which travel was to take place May 11th or 12th, but the AMERICAN AIRLINES would not give definite space, as none was available for those days.

The same informant reported that BROTHMAN was in contact with an unknown individual and made the statement that he was not making any money but that he was continuing his work for the Chinese Government. It has been previously reported that BROTHMAN was working on some type of resin for the Chinese Government.

Re: JULES KORCHIEN**CONFIDENTIAL**

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In connection with ANNA BERENSON, the Bureau has furnished information to the effect that BERENSON was the subject of a Hatch Act investigation in 1943, at which time she was employed as Associate Leasing and Occupancy Adviser, Federal Public Housing Authority, National Housing Agency,

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and at that time she was stationed in Detroit, Michigan."

A summary of BERENSON'S background was furnished by the Bureau and in substance is as follows:

ANNA BERENSON was born on March 1, 1909. She is a graduate of Tulane University and received a Master of Sociology Degree in 1933. She also took graduate work at Columbia University, George Washington University and American University at Washington, D. C. BERENSON first entered the United States Government service on June 8, 1942, when she was appointed Associate Housing Sociologist in the Tenant Relations Division, Federal Public Housing Authority, National Housing Agency.

The Bureau also advised that an article appeared in the "New Leader," which is the official organ of the SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC FEDERATION, New York City. This article, describing a conference, states as follows:

"Communist women must be not only the drive but also the leading force, as carried out with the person and American delegation as such Communists as Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, Ruth Young, a member of the Communist Party and official of the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers of America, ANN BERENSON, a member of the Communist Party and an official of the United Office and Professional Workers of America."

This article referred to a conference of International Women which took place in Paris, to which conference ANN BERENSON was a delegate.

Re: URSULA WASSERMAN

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According to the latest information available.

The Bureau has advised that information has been received from highly confidential Bureau sources to the effect that WASSERMAN has stated that her main purpose for her trip to Latin America was to study "Nazi penetration" and also that she was interested in the political situation in Argentina. WASSERMAN has also stated that she was a friend of ORVIS A. SCHMIDT, Chief of the Foreign Funds Control, Treasury Department.

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who is the superior of CHARLES ~~GUTWIRTH~~ and who is presently assigned to the United States Embassy in Buenos Aires. The same source advised that WASSERMAN was in contact with JOE NEWMAN, a correspondent for the New York Herald Tribune and who was reported to have departed from Buenos Aires for the United States on or about April 6, 1946. (S) (u) (u) (u)

The Bureau has also advised that [REDACTED]

The Bureau has also reported the following information which was received from highly confidential Bureau sources. [REDACTED]

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It is to be noted that the [REDACTED] It is believed that the TASS representa-
 [REDACTED] a letter of introduction was prepared and given to WASSERMAN by HANS
 FREEMAN, of TASS in New York. It is possible that the BERNSTEIN referred
 to by WASSERMAN may be JACK BERNSTEIN, who recently received a package
 from MARY V. KEENEY, which he subsequently passed to ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG.
 The possibility also exists that WASSERMAN may be referring to Lt. Col.
 BERNARD BERNSTEIN, formerly connected with the Treasury Department and who
 is a close contact of the subject HARRY DEXTER WHITE, Assistant Secretary
 of the Treasury. (S) (u)

The Bureau also advised that a confidential informant report-
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The Bureau also advised that information had been received
 from a highly confidential source that [REDACTED] (S) (u)

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The Bureau advised that from a highly confidential source the following information was received concerning the names of certain individuals which appeared in the address book of URSULA WASSERMAN. (S) (u)

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From this same source of information the Bureau received the following information concerning [REDACTED]

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A highly confidential source known to Special Agents Kalmas and O'Brien has reported that

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From a highly confidential source it was ascertained that a radiogram was sent to WASSERMAN from Puerto Rico signed by the ROSKAMS and reflecting that the ROSKAMS were returning from Puerto Rico. It was ascertained that the SS CAPE BARROW arrived in Philadelphia on March 17, 1946, and that the ship arrived in New York on March 19, 1946, without passengers. A teletype was sent to the Philadelphia Field Division on April 9, 1946, requesting information that the ROSKAMS, who were ascertained to be EDWARD and LOUISE ROSKAM, 10 Downing Street, New York City, may have submitted a baggage declaration. The only information that the Philadelphia Field Division was able to obtain was that ROSKAM and his wife, LOUISE, departed from the United States via New Orleans in September of 1945 and that their address was given as 10 Downing Street, New York City. (u) (e)
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On April 9, 1946, it was ascertained that [REDACTED] b1
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A check of the indices of the New York Field Division revealed that ROSKAM was investigated by the Bureau in 1943 as an employee-applicant in the Office of Emergency Management, at which time he was an applicant for the position of visual information specialist and resided at 476 N Street, South West, Washington, D. C. The Bureau has been requested to furnish any information available concerning ROSKAM'S activities in addition to the information developed by the OEM application. (S/14)

A check of the New York Field Division indices revealed that JACK DELANO, 110 Christopher Street, New York City, was reported to have been taking a number of photographs of the SCOVILL MANUFACTURING COMPANY at Waterbury, Connecticut. This was in September of 1940 and at that time this company was engaged in producing quantities of raw materials and munitions for the War Department. (S/14)

On August 21, 1940, Sheriff HATRICK, of Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania, reported to the Philadelphia Field Division that one JACK DELANO, 1446 Rhode Island Avenue, Washington, D. C., or 428 West 18th Street, New York City, was driving an automobile bearing 1940 New York license plate #7V473 and was seen near Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania, taking photographs of buildings and monuments. When questioned at that time DELANO claimed to be working for the Federal Government. (S/14)


There was also an internal security investigation made on JACK DELANO by the New York Field Division and at that time the New York Police Department reported that DELANO was in the photographic business at 428 West 18th Street from March to May, 1940. The Bureau has advised that DELANO was also reported by the Boston Field Division as having been seen taking photographs of the WAMSUTTA MILL in New Bedford and also of (S/14)

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the REVERE BRASS & COPPER COMPANY plant in New Bedford, both of which companies had Government contracts in connection with the national defense program. DELANO was also investigated by the Bureau in November of 1942 as an Office of Emergency Management applicant, and in this application DELANO stated that he resided at 406 East Clifton Terrace, North West, Washington, D. C., and that he was applying for the position of photographic artist. In his application DELANO stated that he was born on August 1, 1914, at Kiev, Russia, and was naturalized through the naturalization of his parents in 1928 in Philadelphia. He advised that he was married. He was also employed by the Farm Security Administration in Washington, D. C., as a photographic artist from May, 1940, to September, 1942, and was formerly in the photographic business for himself at 416 West 18th Street, New York City. DELANO'S references consider him a highly capable photographer with unquestioned morals, habits and patriotism. (S/M)

Investigation at Philadelphia reflected that JACK DELANO, also known as JACK OVCHAROV, his father's name being WILLIAM OVCHAROV, resided at 330 Euclid Avenue, Philadelphia. DELANO was reported to have had Communistic tendencies and was a member of the Philadelphia branch of the Artists' Union. He is reported to have married a Canadian Jewess, IRENE KSSU, who also possesses Communistic tendencies. (S/M) b1

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ROSKAM has received a number of letters from the Office of Information, Lafortaleza, San Juan, Puerto Rico. On April 20, 1946, ROSKAM received a letter from WESLEY GRZYBNE, International Film Bureau, 84 East Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois. (S/M)

Additional investigation concerning ROSKAM and DELANO is presently being conducted by the New York Field Division. It is to be noted that both ROSKAM and DELANO are expert photographers. (S/M)

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RE: EARL BROWDER

The following information is being reported by Special Agents JOSEPH WOHL and THOMAS G. SPENCER concerning information supplied by Confidential Informant GREGORY on April 25th and 26th, 1946, with regard to EARL BROWDER:

In accordance with arrangements previously made, EARL BROWDER and Informant GREGORY had dinner at the home of Colonel JOHN H. REYNOLDS and his wife on the evening of April 25, 1946. At about 11:00 PM. on the night of April 25, 1946, GREGORY telephonically advised Special Agent SPENCER that she had learned that EARL BROWDER had obtained Cancellation number One on a flight leaving LaGuardia Airport at 10:30 A.M. April 26, 1946, en route to Stockholm, Sweden, and that BROWDER felt rather sure that he would be able to get accommodations aboard this plane. This information was made available to the agents working on the BROWDER surveillance.

Subsequently on the morning of April 26, 1946, Informant GREGORY was interviewed at length concerning her conversation with BROWDER the night before and she advised that BROWDER arrived at the REYNOLDS' home at approximately 8:00 P.M. and after dinner engaged in conversation concerning his contemplated trip to the U.S.S.R. It appears that on April 23, 1946, BROWDER had, through some connection, been able to obtain space on a flight from New York to London but was unable to make this trip because he did not have a British visa. BROWDER informed that he contacted a friend of his, who is a close associate of Ambassador WINANT who is still in London, and that this friend telephonically communicated with Ambassador WINANT and explained BROWDER's position and attempted to have Ambassador WINANT expedite a transit visa so that BROWDER could make a scheduled flight to London on April 25, 1946. Ambassador WINANT apparently was unable to get the necessary visa and BROWDER, of course, could not make the above mentioned flight.

After this failure, BROWDER attempted, apparently through his brother, WILLIAM BROWDER, to obtain space on a flight leaving LaGuardia Airport on April 26, 1946, en route to Stockholm, Sweden. However, the best reservation he could make at this time was Cancellations numbers Fifteen or Sixteen. BROWDER then stated that by giving a friend of his fifty dollars he was able to get Cancellation number One which almost assured him of making the trip on the scheduled date. He further stated that in the event he did not make the New York to Sweden flight he had definite reservations on a Swedish ship leaving the Port of New York on April 29, 1946, which was destined to dock in some Swedish port after which he would travel from that place to Moscow by air.

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BROWDER stated in connection with his anticipated travel to London on April 23, 1946, that he had made arrangements with a friend of his to meet him on a street corner in New York in order to obtain some money to cover his expenses, however, this friend did not appear at the scheduled time and later, after the London trip did not materialize, BROWDER learned that WILLIAM FOSTER had found out about the loan he was going to make from this individual, and that FOSTER talked to this individual and induced him not to loan BROWDER this money. BROWDER also stated that since FOSTER and GENE DENNIS have learned of his contemplated trip to Moscow and particularly since he was successful in obtaining a Russian visa they were doing everything possible to learn whatever they could about the purpose of his visit to the U.S.S.R. BROWDER stated that as a matter of fact some of FOSTER's men had tapped his telephone and these men were making every effort they could to determine his, BROWDER's, whereabouts and activities.

The Informant was unable to learn what visas BROWDER possessed but it is apparent that because of the above mentioned London incident he is not in possession of a British visa and from all appearances it would seem that he has at this time a transit visa for Sweden and a visa for Russia.

In connection with his stay in the U.S.S.R., BROWDER stated he felt he could accomplish his purpose within four weeks but it might take him longer to do things when he reached there. The Informant is definitely of the opinion that the prime purpose of BROWDER's visit to Moscow is to contact the top policy makers of the U.S.S.R. in order to sell them on the idea of changing the COMMUNIST PARTY line in the United States from its present policy to one comparable to the party line and policies in effect during BROWDER's regime in World War II. He told the Informant that he is sure that some of the top ranking policy makers are in accord with his views in these matters and feels that they are thoroughly disgusted with the manner in which the party is being run in the United States by FOSTER and DENNIS, and feels that he will have no difficulty in selling his idea if he can get to the top ranking officials.

Along this line he stated that it has been eight years since he has actually conferred with the top ranking policy makers of the U.S.S.R. although he has been accused by the F.B.I. and many others of being in direct contact with Moscow and receiving orders for maintaining or changing the COMMUNIST PARTY line in the United States. Later he stated that approximately six years ago he heard indirectly from a top ranking policy maker in Moscow that the U.S.S.R. was well pleased with the manner in which he was operating the COMMUNIST PARTY in the United States and was in accord with all of the policy changes which he made during the time he was the chief functionary of this organization.

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He again stated that he is of the opinion that some of the top ranking policy makers in the U.S.S.R. share his views as to the party line that should be followed in the United States, and felt that if the COMMUNIST PARTY was conducted along the lines as during the war years, that the party would be looked upon more favorably in the United States and that it would make for a more peaceful outlook between the United States and the U.S.S.R.; would promote trade, and would work to the benefit of both countries. He then stated that there were certain people in high government places in the United States, such as Secretary WALLACE and KIMPH ROSEN, who share the same view that if the COMMUNIST PARTY were run under the policies set forth by BROWDER during his regime, that it would work to the benefit of both the United States and Russia.

He stated that in the event he were successful in seeing these policy makers and getting them to agree to his ideas, Russia, of course, could not openly back BROWDER and he would, therefore, have to use his own ingenuity in supplanting both the personnel and the policies of the old regime. He stated if this became an eventuality, DENNIS and FOSTER would definitely fight him to the last ditch and that it would probably take him between one and two years to oust DENNIS and FOSTER from the COMMUNIST PARTY, but he felt that within a minimum of two years he could accomplish a complete revision of the personnel and a complete change in the policy of the COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A.

During the evening Colonel REYNOLDS handed BROWDER a stack of currency in the amount of \$250.00, which REYNOLDS stated BROWDER could probably use for his expenses on his trip. BROWDER indicated that he was in desperate financial straits and would have to leave a lot of unpaid bills when he left for Russia. At this point REYNOLDS, who had been drinking quite heavily during the evening, graciously volunteered to take care of these bills for BROWDER and made the suggestion that when these bills came due BILL BROWDER should contact GREGORY who in turn would get the money from Colonel REYNOLDS and turn it over to BILL BROWDER in payment of these debts.

BROWDER stated that although his principal task in Russia would be to see to head policy makers, he would on behalf of the U.S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION attempt to do some things for them. Colonel REYNOLDS and GREGORY advised they were principally desirous of having the duty and Soviet charges in respect to packages shipped to Russia reduced and if he could effect a compromise in this regard it would greatly facilitate the enhancement of their business and, of course, enable them to profit to a greater extent thereby.

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In connection with the ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ ^{Author's Guide, Incorporated,} during the time he will be away, BROWDER stated he was having a short note mailed to all of the subscribers of this pamphlet telling them that he was in Russia and will be there for some time. This note would also indicate that BROWDER would attempt to send the subscribers first hand information concerning economic affairs in Russia but that he could not guarantee that these bulletins would be sent with any regularity.

Colonel REYNOLDS then brought up the matter of the \$15,000. money supplied by BROWDER at the time U.S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION was organized, and BROWDER stated that if the company was in such financial condition that it could afford to repay this money, they should put it in a trust account and hold it there until BROWDER regained control of the COMMUNIST PARTY at which time they could turn it over to him and he would see that it was placed in the party funds. He stated that if they so desired, they might give this money to RUSSIAN WAR RELIEF or some other worthy Russian enterprise.

REYNOLDS then informed BROWDER of several calls he had received from TEB BAYER and BROWDER cautioned him not to see BAYER under any conditions whatsoever.

BROWDER did not indicate that he would communicate directly with Informant or Colonel REYNOLDS but inferred that he would be in communication with his brother, WILLIAM BROWDER, and that in the event he had any information for them, it would be forthcoming from him.

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RE: LAUCHLIN CURRIE (u)

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent MICHAEL M. O'ROURKE on May 3, 1946:

It was ascertained at the offices of the International Development Company, 19 Rector Street, New York City, that LAUCHLIN CURRIE had returned to this country. He continues to reside at 61 East 87th Street, and do business at 19 Rector Street, New York City.

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Re: Mrs. RAY ELSON, was.
161 West 16th Street
New York, New York

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Investigating activity concerning Mrs. RAY ELSON from April 1st through April 30, 1946 is reported by Special Agent Howard Robert Hawkins.

In the report of Special Agent Edward W. Dooley dated April 12, 1946 at New York, information is set forth beginning on page 48 concerning the results of a meeting between HELEN TENNY, a subject in this case and Confidential Informant GREGORY. It will be recalled that HELEN TENNY disclosed to GREGORY information concerning her most recent contact, describing her contact as a woman similar in appearance to RAY ELSON and believed by GREGORY to be RAY ELSON. GREGORY was of the definite conviction that HELEN TENNY's contact was RAY ELSON although she of course did not indicate specifically to TENNY the identity of ELSON but rather inferred that she knew her. TENNY explained that she saw this woman the evening of Thanksgiving Day which would be November 22, 1945. It is also GREGORY's impression that TENNY saw this woman sometime during the first part of December, 1945 in Washington, D.C.

A review of the physical surveillance logs concerning RAY ELSON reflects that this physical surveillance was instituted on November 23, 1945 and therefore no information is available concerning RAY ELSON's activities on the evening of November 22, 1945. It was suggested in a Bureau letter dated April 15, 1946 that the contact HELEN TENNY disclosed to GREGORY in fact may have occurred on November 28, 1945.

On this date at 6:35 P.M. a telephone call was received by HELEN TENNY from an unidentified woman who asked her where she could get an electric stove. TENNY replied that one could be obtained at the PEOPLE'S DRUG STORE. TENNY then stated that she would meet this woman shortly. However, this meeting at the PEOPLE'S DRUG STORE did not materialize. It has been suggested that the telephone call at 6:35 P.M. may have been made by RAY ELSON. In order to determine if possible whether this unknown woman who called HELEN TENNY could be RAY ELSON, a comparison was made between the known voice of RAY ELSON and that of the unknown caller on November 28th with negative result. CJ 4

A review of the physical surveillance logs reflects that on November 28, 1945, as set forth in the report of Special Agent Harold V. Kennedy dated December 7, 1945 at New York, RAY ELSON was observed to leave her residence at 1:15 P.M. accompanied by her husband JOSEPH ELSON.

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She proceeded to 30th Street and the Avenue of the Americas and later was observed entering her residence at 3:45 P.M. She was not again observed to leave her apartment on this date and the lights were turned out in the apartment at 11:00 P.M. It appears unlikely therefore that RAY ELSON could have been in Washington, D.C. on November 28, 1945 and have been the unknown woman who attempted to contact HELEN TENNY on that date.

The physical surveillance logs concerning RAY ELSON have been reviewed from November 23, 1945, the date on which this surveillance was instituted, through December 31, 1945. From this review it was noted that only on two dates was RAY ELSON not observed sometime during the day or evening in New York City and could have possibly been in Washington, D.C. for contact with HELEN TENNY. On November 25th she was at no time observed. On December 4, the lights were turned off in her apartment at 8:50 P.M. However she was not observed to leave her residence. She was next observed returning home at 12:30 A.M. on December 5, 1945 accompanied by her husband. It is possible that she could have been out of New York City on December 4. However, it is believed that she spent the day at the offices of the NATIONAL FEDERATION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES, 205 East 42nd Street, New York City where she was known to have been employed for several days thereafter.

In regard to the activities of HELEN TENNY, it is noted that in the report of Special Agent Floyd L. Jones dated December 13, 1945 at Washington, D.C., it is set forth that on November 25, 1945, HELEN TENNY was at home where she was visited by identified contacts. [Also TENNY had indicated on this date that she was not going out because she had an ear ache.] On December 4, 1945 as set forth in the report of Special Agent Floyd L. Jones dated December 18, 1945 at Washington, D.C., it is noted that HELEN TENNY spent the day at the OSS building and with BEATRICE HOWELL spent the evening at 1100 Court House Road, South Arlington, Va.

On April 18, 1946, Special Agent Bert H. Heacock of the Washington Field Division who had conducted a physical surveillance of HELEN TENNY made a visual observation of RAY ELSON in New York City. It was not possible to definitely identify RAY ELSON as one of the unidentified woman who had contacted HELEN TENNY during the time Agent Heacock conducted a physical surveillance.

It is noted from a review of the Washington Field Division's reports in this case that on November 19, 1945 at 5:55 P.M. an unknown woman entered TENNY's apartment who is described as about 35 years of age, with black hair worn in the up-sweep style. This description is similar

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to that of RAY ELSON. There is further noted that this unidentified woman with the black hair later drove away from the TENNY apartment in a convertible coupe with New York 1945 license plates C-740. It was determined that this car was registered in the name of WILLIAM E. RUESSLE, 340 Park Avenue, New York City. While it is true that the description of the above woman who entered the TENNY apartment on November 19th is similar to that of RAY ELSON, it is believed however, that this woman was not RAY ELSON. ELSON has never been known to drive an automobile. Inquiry at the New York Motor Vehicle Bureau reflects that she does not have a driver's license.

A mail cover has been maintained covering all mail addressed to JOSEPH and RAY ELSON at their residence. The following return addresses have been noted from this mail cover: (S) U

<u>Date</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>From</u>
April 4	Mrs. RAY ELSON	St. Peter's Episcopal Church 346 West 20th St., New York City
April 4	Mrs. RAY ELSON	D. DOBKIN 137 41st St., Los Angeles, Cal.
April 6	RAY and JOSEPH ELSON	L. BIALLY 286 East 206th St., Bronx 67, NY
April 18	RAY ELSON	UNITED OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL WORKERS OF AMERICA, Local 16, New York City
April 19	JOSEPH ELSON	ART STUDENT'S LEAGUE OF NEW YORK 215 West 57th St., New York City

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From April 1st through April 30, 1946, Confidential Informant reported the activities of Mrs. RAY ELSON at her residence. (S) U

On April 1, 1946 at 4:30 P.M. BILLIE HARDY, who was at RAY ELSON's apartment at that time spoke to BARRIE STAVIS. BILLIE stated that she had a talk with MILTON, believed to be MILTON REMNITZ of the NATIONAL FEDERATION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES on the morning of this date. MILTON did not think that BILLIE ought to continue to work in the same manner in which she has been working and suggested that she work with some undisclosed committee, which committee is having a conference on April 14, 1946. This conference was to be held about two weeks prior to the National Conference. BILLIE's duties with the City Committee would be to go out in the field contacting (S) U

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people for delegates to the conference. MILTON was of the opinion that BILLIE would get more out of this than if she stayed in the NFCL office. BILLIE indicated that she had gone to see the City Committee this morning and they had asked her to contact some people on the West Side. BARRIE asked BILLIE if this would mean that she would leave the Federation, BILLIE replied that she would for about two weeks and then go back to the Federation. She added that RAY, apparently referring to RAY ELSON, thought it was a good plan and BARRIE stated that he agreed with RAY and that what RAY said would be approved by him. BILLIE added that she would start with the City Committee on April 2nd. (K)(u)

On the same date at 5:25 P.M., BILLIE HARDY, who was still at RAY ELSON's apartment at that time spoke to RAY ELSON at the NFCL office. BILLIE asked RAY for the telephone number and address of the CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE OF THE UPPER WEST SIDE. RAY gave the address of this committee as 122 West 71st Street, telephone Endicott 2-4197. (K)(u)

The records of this office reflect an Internal Security - C case on this CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE OF THE UPPER WEST SIDE. Investigation has disclosed that this committee is located at 122 West 71st Street, New York City. Also that the members of the 11th Assembly District of the Communist Party had been requested to join this organization which has been characterized by informants as a Communist front organization. The committee periodically sponsors forums, street meetings and rallies in the upper West Side, New York City area, stressing one of the stands taken on current issues by the Communist Party. (K)(u)

On April 2, 1946 at 6:20 P.M., SIMON HALPERN spoke to RAY. She informed HALPERN that they planned to be home the evening of this date and invited HALPERN and his wife to visit them. At 8 P.M., a person believed to be LOUISE SCHATZ spoke to RAY. RAY mentioned that HAL and SYLVIA, referring to HALPERN and his wife, were coming to visit them on this evening and had a general conversation with LOUISE. (K)(u)

On April 3, 1946 at 3:45 P.M., LOUISE SCHATZ spoke to RAY. RAY informed her that she was ill and had come home from work early. (K)(u)

On April 4, 1946 unanswered calls/reported at 9:50 P.M. and 8:05 P.M. (K)(u)

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On April 5, 1946 at 11:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. unanswered calls were reported and at 6:20 P.M. RAY's doctor, believed to be Doctor JEANETTE BAKHEIM spoke to JOSEPH ELSON concerning RAY. JOSEPH informed the doctor that RAY would be in shortly. At 7:10 P.M., a person known as BEN ROSEN (phonetic) spoke to JOE ELSON. RAY was not home at the time. BEN invited the ELSONs to visit them on the evening of April 6th. However, JOE declined stating that they plan to visit "MITCH". It was agreed that the ELSONs would visit the ROSENs some evening the following week. However, no definite date was made. The MITCH referred to above is MITCHELL SIPORIN, a known contact of the ELSONs who resides at 121 West 97th Street. (u)

On the same date at 7:15 P.M., JOE spoke to some unidentified person at the NFCL office and inquired for RAY. He was informed that she already left the office at this time. (u)

On April 6, 1946 at 12:20 P.M., RAY made a call and asked to speak to Miss SCHATZ. She was informed that she was not in at this time. (u)

On the same date at 12:25 P.M., RAY spoke to STELLA HURLEY and thereafter to LOUISE SCHATZ. RAY discussed obtaining some notions for FLORENCE KOERNER. RAY also said that she planned to see a movie named "Scarlett Street" and that if it was a nice day on April 7th, that she might go to Far Rockaway on the Long Island Railread, probably in the afternoon. She asked LOUISE to go along, although LOUISE declined. (u)

On the same date at 12:30 P.M., RAY spoke to a person known as ELSIE (phonetic). She had a general conversation in which ELSIE said that her husband ELIAS (phonetic) had been discharged from the Army the preceding Tuesday and that they were leaving on April 21st for home in California. RAY said that both she and JOE were seriously considering going to California next year and that she was seriously considering leaving her job next Monday. It was agreed that they would get together the following Thursday at 6:30 P.M. and that ELSIE and her husband would meet the ELSONs at the ELSON's apartment. Thereafter, they would all go to dinner together. (u)

RAY On April 7, 1946 at 8:10 P.M. some unidentified woman spoke to RAY and mentioned a conference which was to be held April 27th and 28th and RAY also made a comment about going to Far Rockaway with some friends for a vacation this Summer. JOE later talked at length with an unidentified man he addressed as "SUDO" (phonetic) who is apparently a writer or artist. JOSEPH agreed to call SUDO on Thursday at Wisconsin 7-4529. (u)

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The Manhattan Address Telephone Directory reflects that Wisconsin 7-4529 is the telephone number listed in the name of EDGAR M. POULTON STUDIO, 15 West 45th Street, New York City. The records of this office were checked for information concerning EDGAR M. POULTON with negative results. (K)(u)

JOHN JAKIT, superintendent at 15 West 45th Street advised that EDGAR M. POULTON operates a studio on the top floor at that address. He has two or three employees working with him in this studio. However, JAKIT could give no information concerning any of these people. (K)(u)

On April 8, 1946 no activity was reported by this informant. (K)(u)

On April 9, 1946 at 6:55 P.M., JEAN, a friend of the ELSONs spoke to JOE. JOE informed her that he and RAY were going to visit the SIPORINS, apparently referring to MITCHELL and MARIAN-SIPORIN, known contacts of the ELSONs. (K)(u)

On the same date at 9:20 P.M., LILLIAN RESNICK (phonetic) spoke to JOE and asked to speak to RAY. However, RAY was not at home at this time. JOE stated that he expected RAY to be home about 10:30 P.M. LILLIAN informed JOE that she was in connection with the U.S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION. LILLIAN stated that she would like RAY to call her sometime and left her telephone number as Olinville 5-1108. (K)(u) b2 b7D

The records of Confidential Informant [redacted] reflect that Olinville 5-1108 is listed to ROSE RESNICK, 2440 Bronx Park East, Bronx, New York. Confidential Informant GREGORY advised that LILLIAN RESNICK is an employee of the U.S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION, 211 Fifth Avenue, New York City. On April 10, 1946 no information was reported by this informant. (K)(u)

On April 11, 1946 at 9:13 P.M. LOUISE SCHATZ spoke to RAY. RAY stated that she was entertaining her cousin ELSIE from California and her husband ELIAS, just in from Alaska. At 10:20 P.M. RAY spoke to ETHEL BIALY. RAY said that she was very busy and has been "working on the campaign". She stated that JOE is going to school and will probably go all together for about a year, which would be until December, 1946. ETHEL states that she is working. RAY suggests that they make a date to visit together and Friday is suggested. However, ETHEL replied that she must attend an INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER meeting on Friday and that they are organizing a new branch. Consequently she could not see RAY on Friday. (K)(u)

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It is agreed that RAY and JOE will come to ETHEL's apartment for dinner the evening of April 20th. RAY stated that she and JOE will be going to Far Rockaway on Sunday to prepare their place for the Summer, mentioning that they have taken the same place they had last Summer. (u)

On April 12, 1946 at 6:45 P.M., SUDO (phonetic) spoke to JOE ELSON and it was agreed that JOE would see SUDO sometime the following week. (u)

On April 13, 1946 at 10:12 A.M., a person believed to be ROSE HACKMAN spoke to RAY. ROSE stated that she was in town shopping on this date and would visit RAY for lunch at about 12:30 P.M. (u)

ROSE and ABE HACKMAN, who reside at 150 Pine Street, Rockville Center, Long Island are known contacts of the ELSONs. From 1943 to 1945 ABE was with UNRRA and is now assistant to the vice president of R.H. MACY and Company, New York City. (u)

On the same date at 10:30 A.M., a person known as NOEL (phonetic) spoke to JOE. JOE stated that he is going to school this afternoon, also that he got his first check from the government today and that the amount received was retroactive from December, 1945 and that the check was for \$349. JOE stated that he joined the veteran's organization at school and is planning to join the American Legion. They discuss the American Legion and JOE states that the post he is planning to join is the best one because of its more progressive ideas. They agree that the American Legion is too conservative to suit them. (u)

On the same date at 10:50 A.M., YANK (phonetic), called RAY ELSON. He apologized for not calling RAY for such a long time and added that he has been very busy. He described his work as a "real job". YANK stated that he would like to come for breakfast sometime, perhaps tomorrow. RAY states that they may go to Far Rockaway tomorrow since they have taken a place for the Summer. She says however that they will go later in the day in the event YANK comes for breakfast. RAY indicates that the house is boarded up as yet and also there is much work to get it in shape for the Summer. She then suggests that YANK visit them tomorrow evening. YANK declines stating that he is going to a concert at that time to hear some person who is appearing at Town Hall. No definite date is made for a meeting between the ELSONs and YANK. (u)

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At 6:30 P.M., RAY spoke to JOE and they discussed the meeting at HALPERNs. RAY will come home first. She advised that she has been to the doctor's and that the doctor advised her that she had recovered from her recent illness. (u)

On April 14, 1946 at 11:20 A.M. GINETTE SCHWAIN spoke to JOE. JOE invites GINETTE to visit them and said that RAY has been working hard and that "it is driving her nuts". GINETTE then spoke to RAY at which time RAY stated that she is working hard on a conference which is to take place in two weeks in Detroit. RAY will attend this conference adding that she has never been in Detroit before and that she will return to New York before May 1st since the conference will last only three days, April 27th, 28th and 29th. RAY informed GINETTE that LOUISE had visited with her on Sunday evening. They also discussed RUTH and PAT, believed to be RUTH MILLER and PAT EAGAN. GINETTE expected to go to the Catskills about May 1st. RAY indicates that she may take an extra day from her Detroit trip as they want to go to Canada. GINETTE cautions her to take some paper with her when she goes to Canada which reflects that she is an American citizen so the immigration officials will permit her to re-enter the United States. They discussed in great detail a visit to Canada during which RAY mentioned that she has previously visited in Quebec. GINETTE tells RAY she hopes the conference will be a success adding that "there is much fighting to be done". (u)

On the same date at 11:58 A.M. RAY called the VIRGINIA APARTMENTS and asked to speak to JACK GOLDMAN, apartment 10D. RAY addressed GOLDMAN as YANK (phonetic) and inquired if he is coming for breakfast, stating that she was not going to Far Rockaway. YANK declined the invitation to visit the ELSONs on this date stating that he had made other plans. At 12:03 P.M. RAY spoke to GINETTE SCHWAIN in French, partly in English. RAY asked GINETTE if she would like to see the "Spiral Staircase", a movie about 3:00 or 4:00 P.M. at the RKO Theater, 23rd Street and 8th Avenue. RAY stated that she and JOE would stop by GINETTE's apartment enroute to the movies. (u)

On the same date at 12:12 P.M. LOUISE SCHATZ spoke to JOE. She stated that she was at the office where she was working. It is stated that RAY and JOE were at the HALPERNs until 4:00 P.M. last evening. LOUISE mentioned a special rally which was held at Madison Square Park and states that she met "somebody" there who said RAY was to attend a Civil Liberties meeting. At 9:20 P.M. HARVEY EAGEN spoke to RAY. RAY mentioned that Bert BASSUK had visited the ELSONs on this date. HARVEY states that he was recently discharged from the Army and is getting (u)

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married but cannot enter school until sometime in 1947. HARVEY will visit the ELSONs later on in the week and ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ HILLIS along. HARVEY indicated that he had gone to school for one month at the Cooper Union and is now working for DORFMAN, where HERT BASSUK formerly worked. (u)

On April 15, 1946 and 16th and 17th, no pertinent activity was reported by this informant. (u)

On April 18, 1946 HARVEY KAGEN spoke to RAY. It was agreed that HARVEY and his wife would visit the ELSONs on April 19 at about 8:00 P.M. (u)

On April 19, 1946 JOE spoke to RAY, who was then at the NFCL office. She informed JOE that HARVEY was coming for the evening and that she would be home shortly. At 9:15 P.M., LIZA (phonetic), a friend, spoke to RAY about a previous invitation extended to the ELSONs by her. RAY informed LIZA that she could not visit LIZA the following day because she was working and the following week end she will be in Detroit. RAY indicated that she was leaving New York on Thursday, April 25 and would return on Tuesday April 30th or Wednesday May 1st. She stated that JOE is not making the trip with her. LIZA wishes RAY luck for the trip and RAY remarks, "I hope so, it's so important". RAY and LIZA agreed to get together when RAY returned to New York. (u)

On April 20, 1946 at 10:45 A.M. a person known as IDA GAFFER (phonetic) asked to speak to RAY Elson. JOE advised her that RAY is working. IDA inquired when would be the best time to visit the ELSONs and was advised that the evening would be the best time. (u)

At 11:44 P.M., JOE called the NEW YORK DECORATING COMPANY regarding a sign. At 11:50 A.M. he called RAY at the NFCL office. JOE stated that he was going to school in the afternoon and RAY informed him that she would be home in the mid-afternoon to get ready to go with JOE to the Bronx in the evening. She said that they would arrive in the Bronx at approximately 7:00 o'clock. JOE stated that he had obtained a carton of cigarettes and the "Daily". The "Daily" mentioned by JOE possibly refers to the Daily Worker. (u)

On April 21, 1946 at 11:17 A.M. BILLIE HARDY spoke to JOE and then to RAY. BILLIE stated that she would be home at 5:00 o'clock and asked RAY and JOE to come for dinner on the evening of April 22nd. RAY will call her later concerning this and stated that they were quite optimistic about the conference to be held the following week. RAY also (u)

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stated that LIMEX (phonetic) was optimistic about the conference and that there would be more than two delegates from Cleveland and two and a half delegates from Pittsburgh. RAY stated that MITT KAUFMAN was back and that Chicago and Detroit would also produce delegates. BILLIE inquired concerning VLADMIR (phonetic) and RAY stated that he had come back this week and is working on "this thing". His committee is producing delegates but it is not helping financially. BILLIE stated that she will start looking for a new job soon. The LIMEX referred to above is LOUIS COLMAN, who according to the records of this office is Assistant National Secretary of the International Labor Defense and a member of the Executive Committee in the Council of Pan American Democracies. He is constantly with known Communists concerning legal and publicity problems. (u)

At 12:14 P.M. on the same date, RAY's brother JERRY spoke to JOE. JERRY stated that ELIAS and ELSIE were leaving at 4:30 P.M. this afternoon and that he was going to see them off. JERRY stated that he would be home about 6:30 P.M. and it was agreed that RAY and JOE would visit his apartment sometime this afternoon. At 12:41 P.M. JOE spoke to FRANK BUTTO. He informed Frank that they would leave in an hour for FRANK's residence. (u)

On the same date at 9:28 P.M. an incoming call was reported from a woman who stated that her mother's name was COOPER. This unknown woman called RAY to inquire if a relative by the name of PHILIP ELSON might be a member of RAY ELSON's family. This unknown woman states that she comes from Oklahoma and Texas and that PHILIP ELSON was a cousin of her mother; was probably in the laundry business; was married and there were two children involved and also an inter-marriage. RAY stated that her husband has an uncle in Brooklyn whose exact address is unknown as she and her husband have lost contact with him. However, his name is PHILIP, but RAY does not believe that her husband's uncle is identical with the PHILIP ELSON referred to by her, the woman calling. RAY repeats several times that she is quite sure that her family is not the same family and appears quite reluctant to disclose any information concerning herself. (u)

On the same date at 9:30 P.M. RAY spoke to JOSEPHINE KENE. JOSEPHINE said that JEAN was at her apartment and had gone to the Jefferson School and that MURRAY KENE had gone to the Jefferson School later. RAY asked JOSEPHINE to come to her apartment to collect \$100 that was due her. JOSEPHINE asked RAY to leave the money in her mail box. RAY states that she is going to Detroit Thursday for a conference and JOSEPHINE asked whether the Un-American Committee, apparently referring to the Committee on Un-American Activities of the House of Representatives, will be the main topic. (u)

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for discussion. RAY stated that it will take up a good portion of the activities. RAY states that they will probably be home every night this week and they will probably be working late (S)(u)

On April 22, 1946 JOSEPHINE KINE inquired of RAY whether or not she had received the check, apparently referring to the check which was mentioned in the conversation on April 21st. At 10:35 A.M. SIMON HALPERN spoke to RAY. RAY stated that JOE was at a Legion meeting. They discussed Trotskyism and other matters, a part of which conversation is set forth below (S)(u)

H: Now, what is Trotskyism in art?

E: (inaudible)

H: I was going to ask my good artist friend, JOE ELSON (ph.) (inaudible)....

E: Yeah.

H: Well, the next time I see it, I'll spit on it. (S)(u)

E: Well, I'm going to pose that one to him tonight.

H: Well, I don't know. Now, of course, I can understand, and you know that discussion that we had in our house was interesting in that it opened up a thought, but when you stop to think about it, it wasn't really much of an argument or a discussion at that because there's only one view point to maintain.

E: Yeah, that's true, but

H: But at the same time NICK (ph.) is troubled.

E: Yeah, he is very much troubled, obviously.

H: And I think he needs a lot of straightening out on that point because pretty soon he is going to fall into the era, I don't think NICK (ph.) will, but guys like NICK, who aren't as deep rooted, will fall into the era pretty soon of art for art's sake.

E: Yeah. Well, as a matter of fact, I was gravely alarmed at MIDGE (ph) the other night.

H: Well, so was I and I tried to act as a compromise and then I felt, well, there's probably one key, one answer, if we could find out what to do with DIEGO RIVERA (ph.), you know, I think it would help NICK.

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E: Yeah.

H: And I have taken the trouble to ask a number of people and, of course, their attitude is like JOE's, they say, well, you don't condemn him during the period that he was progressive but during the latter period.

E: Yeah.

H: If in turn he became a renegade.

E: Yeah.

H: Then you evaluate it and you find that his art has not been as powerful and as good....

E: Yeah. Well, the strange thing is that MIDGE (ph.) himself indicated that in the last ten years or so RIVERA's art has gone down, but he didn't know where to go from there.

H: That's right. Now maybe there's a corollary to be drawn from it, if it's a good one, I don't know.

E: Yeah.

H: But I want to find out (inaudible)...

E: Yeah.

H: When I see a station in life that must be especially..... against the destructive effects of Trotskyism in every cultural field.

E: Yeah.

H: Well, I'm taking art now/I have got to learn what is Trotskyism in the cultural field of art, you see.

E: Yeah.

H: I can understand it in propaganda, you know, in art.

E: Yeah.

H: Which is already condemned because it becomes sectarian.

E: Yeah.

H: No good, but what kind of a picture is this that depicts Trotskyism?

E: That's really a poser.

H: That really gets me. Well, you ask JOEY even though he hasn't had (laugh)...because I haven't got it.

E: (laugh) Maybe FOSTER (ph.) hasn't either.

H: You know. things like that shouldn't be left hanging in the air.

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E: No, it really shouldn't.
H: He really should explain it far more clearly.

E: There's nothing in the context of the rest of the thing that would throw some light on it?
H: No, darling, because the next thing he says is that sectarian France...

E: Uh, huh.
H: Well, alright, I understand that.

E: Yeah.
H: Now Trotskyism is not a sectarian France.

E: Yeah.
H: bad and Browderism is not Trotskyism.

E: Yeah.
H: So what is Trotskyism?

E: (inaudible)
H: Bah?

E: I don't know.
H: We will see you. We will discuss it further.

On April 23, 1946 at 6:15 P.M. JOE spoke to RAY and it is agreed that they would meet at 6:45 P.M. RAY stated that she wanted to go shopping in the stores on 14th Street. (u)

On April 24th and 25th, 1946 no activity was reported. (u)

On April 26th, 1946 at 9:30 P.M. a person known as ROSE, who described herself as a friend of RAY's from California, spoke to JOE ELSON. ROSE stated that she was here on a visit and is staying with her brother in the Bronx and would be leaving New York on May 4th. ROSE stated that she met RAY when RAY was in California. ROSE gave JOE her telephone number as Fordham 4-0348 and JOE stated that he would have RAY call ROSE when she returned from Detroit. (u)

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The records of Confidential Source of Information [redacted] advised that Fordham 4-0348 listed to HARRY MIRSKY, 30 West 100th Street, Bronx, New York, New York. (u)

On April 27, 1946 at 1:25 A.M. RAY ELSON spoke to her husband JOE by long distance from Detroit. RAY stated that she would be back Monday night and that the delegates at the conference were very good. RAY informed JOE that she had just returned to her room in the hotel. At 10:45 A.M. LOUISE SCHATZ spoke to JOE. They had a general conversation during which JOE mentioned that RAY had called from Detroit last evening and that he was going to a veteran's housing meeting this afternoon. (u)

On April 28, 1946 at 3:00 P.M., LOUISE SCHATZ spoke to JOE ELSON. LOUISE stated that she wanted to talk to JOE and after considerable persuasion on LOUISE's part, JOE agreed to come to visit LOUISE at her apartment at 151 West 16th Street. JOE agreed to be there in about an hour. At 10:40 P.M. RAY spoke to JOE by long distance from Detroit. She informed him that she was flying back from Detroit tomorrow night and that she is leaving on the 10:30 plane. JOE mentioned that he had visited RUTH and PAT in 3I on this date, apparently referring to PAT EAGAN and RUTH MILLER. He also informed RAY that ROSE had called. RAY confirms that ROSE is a relative of her. (u)

On April 29, 1946 at 8:50 P.M. ALICE SCHWARTZ (phonetic) spoke to JOE and asked to talk to RAY. JOE informed her that he expected RAY in about 2:00 A.M. Tuesday morning. ALICE invites RAY and JOE to her home on Sunday, May 12th and if RAY and JOE want to go to ALICE's with SYLVIA and HAL, they are to call SYLVIA. JOE states that they will probably go with SYLVIA and HAL. (u)

SYLVIA and HAL referred to above are Mrs. and Mr. SIMON A. HALPERN known contacts of the ELSONs. At 10:50 P.M. JOE ELSON called Northwestern Air Lines to confirm the arrival of RAY's plane. He was informed that she would arrive in New York approximately 2:50 A.M. Other calls were made also to Northwestern Air Lines concerning RAY's arrival. (u)

On April 30, 1946 at 11:10 A.M. BILLIE HARDY spoke to JOE. He informed her that RAY had arrived home at 5:00 A.M. and was still sleeping. BILLIE stated that she was at the office, apparently the NFCL office. At 1:50 A.M. JOE spoke to EVELYN and asked to speak to DICK STRAUFF. He is informed that he should call Plaza 5-1496 for STRAUSS. (u)

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On the same date at 3:25 P.M. VICTORIA spoke to RAY. VICTORIA said that MILT will be back this evening, apparently referring to MILTON KEMNITZ. VICTORIA and RAY arranged to meet at the South West Corner of 38th Street and 9th Avenue at 5:00 P.M. for participation in the May Day parade May 1st. At 3:30 P.M. BILLIE HARDY spoke to RAY. RAY stated that the Detroit experience was inspiring, exciting, and that the formation of a new group was coming along very well. It was implied that a new organization was being formed as a result of the Detroit conference. RAY described the Detroit people as wonderful. BILLIE and RAY made a luncheon date for Thursday May 2nd. Also RAY stated that she and JOE were going to Far Rockaway this week end and would probably visit ROSE and ABE HACKMAN. (u)

ROSE HACKMAN resides at 150 Pine Street, Rockville Center, Long Island and the HACKMANs are known contacts of the ELSONs. (u)

On the same date at 4:24 P.M. RAY called information and asked for MILTON KEMNITZ' telephone number. She was informed that it was Jamaica 3-6732. RAY then called that number but no one answered. At 4:55 P.M. JOE spoke to RAY. She stated that she would leave immediately to meet JOE at Columbus Circle and it was then agreed that they would walk through Central Park. JOE stated that he had a forum meeting at 8:00 at the League, apparently referring to the ART STUDENT'S LEAGUE, where he is going to school. (u)

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During the month of April, RAY ELSON was employed at the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties, 205 East 42nd Street, New York City. Her working days at the N.F.C.L. were from Monday through Friday of each week. A full-time physical surveillance was not maintained continuously during the period of time that RAY ELSON was employed at the N.F.C.L. offices; however, spot checks were made on certain days to insure that she did actually spend her time in the office.

On April 1, 1946 at 6:15 PM, she left the N.F.C.L. office, 205 East 42nd Street, with two women believed to be negro fellow workers. RAY ELSON and her companions walked west on 42nd Street to Lexington Avenue where they entered the Lexington Avenue subway. It was not possible to continue the surveillance at this point. Thereafter, it was resumed at RAY ELSON's residence at 161 West 16th Street. At 11:35 PM, she was observed to enter her apartment and remained there for the remainder of the evening.

On April 2, 1946, RAY ELSON was not observed to leave her office at the usual time. At 6:40 PM, the surveillance was instituted at her residence. During the evening, guests could be observed in the ELSON apartment. According to information from Confidential Informant [redacted] the guests were SIMON and SYLVIA HALPERN, known contacts of the ELSONS. (u)

On April 3, 1946 at 8:50 PM, RAY was observed in her apartment. According to [redacted] she had spent the day at the N.F.C.L. office; however, she returned home early because of illness. She was not observed to leave her apartment during the evening. (u)

On April 4, 1946, at 6:00 PM, RAY ELSON left her office. She proceeded to Grand Central Station, where she entered the subway and thereafter proceeded directly to her residence, arriving at approximately 6:20 PM. At 7:05 PM, accompanied by her husband, she left her residence and walked to the Daily Burracister Restaurant at Seventh Avenue between 15th and 16th Streets. They remained at this restaurant until 7:55 PM, after which they walked to 16th Street and Eighth Avenue, where they entered the subway and proceeded to 101 West 78th Street, which is an apartment hotel. They entered this address at 8:25 PM. At 11:55 PM, RAY and her husband left this address and walked south on Columbus Avenue. It was ascertained by the surveilling Agents that RAY had been visiting on the fourth floor at this address. When she and her husband left this address, they were accompanied by a woman who was surveilled to 329 West 87th Street, where she entered the apartment at that address with a key. The woman accompanying them is described as follows:

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Sex:	Female
Color:	White
Height:	5'
Weight:	130-140 lbs.
Build:	Short and well filled out
Hair:	Dark, but greying, hair worn in long bob and rolled.
Characteristics:	Knock-kneed
Coat:	Plain black tailored coat
Residence:	329 West 87th Street New York City

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Miss TILLIE WEISFELD, 329 West 87th Street, advised that a woman known as REBECCA SMITH resides at that address. Miss WEISFELD described REBECCA SMITH in a manner similar to the description obtained by the surveilling Agents. She further advised that SMITH was born in Russia, had come to the United States as a small girl and presently lives at 329 West 87th Street alone. SMITH is unmarried, works somewhere in New York City, and plans to go to Rockaway for the Summer. Miss WEISFELD further stated that SMITH had lived at that address since September, 1945 and that she has a brother who lives somewhere on 78th Street in New York City.

The records of this office reflect the name of REBECCA SMITH in 1938 as Vice-President of the Social Service Employment Union, Local #19, United Office and Professional Workers of America.

VALENTINE THIM, superintendent, 101 West 78th Street, advised that the following people reside on the fourth floor at 101 West 78th Street. It will be recalled that the surveilling Agents had ascertained that RAY ELSON at the time she went to 101 West 78th Street had visited on the fourth floor of that address.

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BORIS SASLOWSKY
telephone number SC 4-0538

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Mrs. REBECCA BROWNE
telephone number TR 4-4619

#43

KOLMAN SMIT
telephone number TR 7-6855

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#44 LEON NAIDITCH
telephone number TR 7-5237

#45 BERTHA NIEBECK
telephone number TR 7-5237

#46 Mrs. FRANK VAN BRIESEN
telephone number TR 4-5421

#47 S. E. KIRK
telephone number SC 4-2859

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The indices of this office were checked for information concerning the above named persons with negative results except that KOLMAN SMIT was, in 1941, a member of the American-Russian Institute.

On April 5, 1946 at 6:55 PM, RAY ELSON, accompanied by MILTON KERNITZ, of the N.F.C.L., left 205 East 42nd Street. They proceeded to Third Avenue and 42nd Street where they talked for several minutes. Thereafter they separated and RAY walked in the direction of the subway. KERNITZ entered the Third Avenue elevator line. At 7:20 PM, RAY was observed in her apartment. At 8:45 PM she left her residence accompanied by her husband. They proceeded by taxi to the vicinity of Avenue C and East 10th Street, where they left the cab. Thereafter they walked to and entered 408 East 10th Street. It is believed that at this address they contacted DANIEL and FLORENCE KOERNER, concerning whom information is set forth below. RAY ELSON and her husband remained at the KOERNER residence throughout the evening.

On April 6, 1946 at 12:50 PM, RAY ELSON left her residence, went shopping in the neighborhood and approximately 1:55 PM returned to her residence. She was observed in her apartment during the remainder of the day and was at no time observed to leave her residence on this date.

On April 7, 1946 at 10:50 AM, RAY and her husband left their residence; they proceeded by taxi, bearing license #020034, to Pennsylvania Station. They left this taxi and were observed proceeding to the Long Island Railroad. It is believed that they obtained a Long Island Railroad train ticket and according to information from Confidential Informant [REDACTED] they spent the day at Far Rockaway, Long Island. At 7:55 PM, RAY and her husband were observed entering their residence, where they remained throughout the evening.

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On April 8, 1946, RAY ELSON left her office at 6:10 PM. She proceeded to her residence where she remained throughout the evening.

On April 9, 1946, RAY ELSON left her office at approximately 6:20 PM. She proceeded to the vicinity of her residence where she shopped in several stores, after which she returned home. She was not observed to leave her residence during the evening and the lights were on in her apartment.

On April 10, 1946, at 9:40 AM, RAY ELSON left her residence and proceeded to her office, arriving at 10:05 AM. She remained there throughout the day, leaving her office at 6:10 PM. She arrived home at approximately 6:40 PM and was not observed to leave during the evening.

On April 11, 1946, the surveillance was instituted in the vicinity of the N.F.C.L. office. At 5:47 PM, CEDRIC BELFRAGE, a subject in this case, was observed to leave 205 East 42nd Street, where RAY ELSON is employed. It is believed that BELFRAGE did not contact ELSON at that address but instead contacted JOSEPH GAER, a known contact of CEDRIC BELFRAGE, who is Publications Director of the CIO Political Action Committee with offices at 205 East 42nd Street. At 5:55 PM, RAY ELSON left 205 East 42nd Street, and shopped in a vegetable store at 158 East 42nd Street. Thereafter, she proceeded by subway to her residence where she entered at 6:25 PM. She was observed in her apartment at frequent intervals thereafter throughout the evening.

On April 12, 1946, at 9:25 AM, JOSEPH ELSON was observed leaving his residence and at 9:40 AM, RAY ELSON left her residence and proceeded by subway to the N.F.C.L. office, where she entered at 10:00 AM. At 12:25 PM, RAY, accompanied by a colored co-worker, who is employed at the N.F.C.L., left 205 East 42nd Street and walked to the Sandwich Man Restaurant located in the immediate vicinity. At 1:15 PM, they returned to 205 East 42nd Street. At 6:20 PM, RAY left her office and proceeded directly to her residence, entering at 6:45 PM. At 7:40 PM, RAY and her husband, accompanied by FRANK and LENA DUTTO, left the ELSON residence and proceeded to the Little Shrimp Restaurant at 224 West 23rd Street. They remained there until 9:25 PM, after which they returned directly to the ELSON residence. At 11:30 PM, FRANK and LENA DUTTO left the ELSON residence and proceeded by subway to 3040 Cruger Avenue, Bronx, where they are known to reside.

On April 13, 1946, RAY was observed in her apartment at various times during the day. At 4:40 PM, she left her residence and proceeded by

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subway to 522 West End Avenue, where she entered at 5:00 PM. Dr. JEANETTE SAKHEIM, RAY ELSON's physician, has an office at that address and it appears that she contacted Dr. SAKHEIM at this time. At 6:30 PM, she left 522 West End Avenue and proceeded to 86th Street and Broadway, where she made a telephone call from a cigar store, after which she proceeded to her residence. At 8:00 PM, accompanied by her husband, she left her residence and proceeded by subway to 317 West 84th Street, where she entered at 8:25 PM. At this address, she is believed to have contacted SIMON and SYLVIA HALPERN who reside at t address. At 12:30 AM, April 14, 1946, she left the HALPERN residence accompanied by her husband and proceeded by subway to her residence where she entered at 1:05 AM.

On April 14, 1946 at 4:15 PM, LOUISE SCHATZ, a known contact of RAY ELSON, was observed entering the ELSON residence. At 4:30 PM, RAY and LOUISE SCHATZ left the ELSON residence and proceeded to 253 West 16th Street, where they entered. At 5:00 PM, RAY, LOUISE and GINETTE SCHAIN left 253 West 16th Street and proceeded to the R.K.O. theater at 23rd Street and Eighth Avenue, where they entered at 5:10 PM. At 7:08 PM, they left this theater and proceeded to the Little Shrimp Restaurant, 224 West 23rd Street, where they had dinner, after which they returned to the ELSON residence. At 9:15 PM, LOUISE SCHATZ left the ELSON residence and at 11:55 PM, GINETTE SCHAIN left the ELSON residence and returned to 253 West 16th Street.

On April 15, 1946, RAY ELSON arrived at her office at 10:00 AM. At 12:10 PM, she left her office accompanied by BILLIE HARDY. They separated at 42nd Street and Lexington Avenue and RAY proceeded to the Madison Square Hotel, 37 Madison Avenue, where at 12:25 PM, it was necessary to discontinue the surveillance because of security reasons. RAY was not observed to leave her office at the usual time. At 7:35 PM, a surveillance was instituted at her residence. Lights were turned on in her apartment at 8:35 PM. At 10:50 PM, RAY was observed in her apartment. However, she had not been observed prior to that time.

On April 16, 1946, RAY ELSON arrived at her office at approximately 10:00 AM. At 2:45 PM, she walked to the Railway Express Agency at East 42nd Street between Second and Third Avenues and at 3:10 PM returned to her office. At 6:30 PM, JOSEPH ELSON was observed entering 205 East 42nd Street. At 6:50 PM, RAY and JOSEPH ELSON walked to the Tudor Theater, 42nd Street and Third Avenue, where they made an inquiry at the ticket window and thereafter proceeded to the Lem Fong Restaurant, Third Avenue and 43rd Street, where they entered at 7:00 PM. At 7:50 PM, they left this restaurant and proceeded to S. KLEIN'S DEPARTMENT STORE at Union Square. At 8:35 PM,

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an and frequent contact of RAY ELSON. H. CHAMP and T. MARTIN are believed to be the two colored women who accompanied RAY ELSON and BILLIE HARDY to dinner on April 17, 1946. **CONFIDENTIAL**

On April 18, 1946 at 6:25 PM, RAY left her office and proceeded to 25th Street and Fifth Avenue, where she met LENA DUTTO. They entered Child's Restaurant, 206 Fifth Avenue. At 7:35 PM, they proceeded to Harry Rothman's Clothing Store at 230 Fifth Avenue and thereafter proceeded to 34th Street and Fifth Avenue, entering numerous stores en route. At 10:45 PM, RAY ELSON returned home and LENA DUTTO proceeded to 3040 Cruger Avenue in the Bronx where she is known to reside.

On April 19, 1946, RAY ELSON arrived at her office at approximately 10:00 AM. From 12:15 PM to 1:05 PM, she had lunch with BILLIE HARDY, thereafter returning to her office. At 6:55 PM, she left her office and proceeded to her residence, shopping in the vicinity of her residence before entering her apartment. She was not observed to leave during the evening.

On April 20, 1946, she left her residence at 8:50 AM and proceeded to her office. At 1:20 PM, she left her office and proceeded by taxi to the Michael Press, 135 West 45th Street. Thereafter she proceeded to MACY'S DEPARTMENT STORE, Herald Square, where she shopped, thereafter returning home at about 3:30 PM. At 6:25 PM, she left her residence, accompanied by her husband and proceeded by subway to 286 East 206th Street in the Bronx, where they entered at 7:15 PM. At this address they contacted LOUIS and ETHEL BIALLY, who reside in Apartment 3A. According to information from Confidential Informant [redacted] the ELSONS had a date to visit the BIALLYS on this evening. At 12:10 AM on April 21, 1946, they left 286 East 206th Street and proceeded by subway to their residence. **CONFIDENTIAL** b2 b7D

On April 21, 1946 at 2:00 PM, RAY and her husband left their residence and proceeded to 3040 Cruger Avenue, Bronx, New York, where they entered at 3:05 PM. FRANK and LENA DUTTO reside at this address. At 6:30 PM, several people were observed in the DUTTO apartment. However, it was not possible to identify these people. RAY and her husband left the DUTTO residence at approximately 8:00 PM, arriving home at 9:10 PM.

On April 22, 1946, at 7:35 PM, RAY, accompanied by MILTON KERNITZ and an unknown man, left 205 East 42nd Street. They had dinner at a restaurant at 232 East 42nd Street and thereafter returned to 205 East 42nd Street. The two men entered the building and RAY proceeded to her residence, **CONFIDENTIAL**

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entering at 8:45 PM. The unidentified man accompanying RAY ELSON and MILTON KENWITZ was described as follows:

Age:	35 to 40 years
Color:	White
Height:	5' 6"
Weight:	125 lbs.
Build:	Slim
Appearance:	Jewish
Hair:	Black
Dress:	Light brown herringbone suit; no hat; covert cloth topcoat.

On April 23, 1946, RAY ELSON arrived at her office at approximately 10:10 AM. She had lunch with HATTIE CHAMP, a co-worker at N.F.C.L. She left her office at 6:35 PM, had dinner with her husband at the Southern Restaurant, 213 Fourth Avenue and thereafter went shopping at KLEIN'S DEPARTMENT STORE at Union Square. At 8:20 PM, she left KLEIN'S and proceeded directly to her residence where she remained for the evening.

On April 24, 1946, RAY ELSON spent the morning at her office, had lunch with HATTIE CHAMP and at 7:35 PM left her office. She met her husband outside the building and proceeded to the Lam Fong Restaurant, Third Avenue near 43rd Street, where they had dinner. Thereafter they returned to their residence, arriving at approximately 8:55 PM.

On April 25, 1946 at 9:35 AM, RAY ELSON left her residence and proceeded to 14th Street and Seventh Avenue, where she met an unknown woman described as follows:

Age:	30 years
Height:	5' 8"
Weight:	130 lbs.
Hair:	Black
Appearance:	Jewish - wears glasses

From the manner in which RAY ELSON greeted this woman, it was seemingly a chance meeting. She walked with her to 221 Fourth Avenue, where the unidentified woman entered. RAY ELSON then proceeded to the Lexington Avenue subway and proceeded to her office at 205 East 42nd Street. At 12:35 PM, she reappeared accompanied by BILLIE HARDY. They had lunch at the News Tavern and returned to the office at approximately 1:00 PM. At 6:15 PM, she left her office and proceeded to her residence, entering at approximately 7:00 PM. At 7:15 PM, she left her residence, accompanied

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by her husband and proceeded to 46 Greenwich Street, where they had dinner. At 8:20 PM, they returned to their residence and at 10:00 PM, RAY, her husband, and LOUISE SCHATZ entered a taxi cab at 16th Street and Seventh Avenue and proceeded to Grand Central Station. At 10:15 PM, RAY, her husband, and LOUISE SCHATZ met in Grand Central Station a group composed of MILTON KERNITZ, HATTIE CHAMP and NATHAN WITT. KERNITZ, CHAMP and WITT, along with RAY ELSON, boarded New York Central train #35, which left Grand Central Station at 10:40 PM.

On April 26, 1946 at 8:45 AM, RAY ELSON had breakfast with KERNITZ, CHAMP and WITT. Thereafter they returned to their Pullman car and were overheard discussing plans for the Detroit convention of the Congress of Civil Rights. At 1:15 PM, the train arrived at Detroit, Michigan and at this point the surveillance of RAY ELSON was taken over by Agents of the Detroit Field Division who conducted a surveillance of her activities until the time of her departure from Detroit at 10:30 PM, on April 29, 1946 via Pennsylvania Central Airlines. This flight was scheduled to arrive in Newark, New Jersey at 2:03 AM, April 30, 1946. According to information from Confidential Informant [REDACTED], RAY arrived home at approximately 5:00 AM, having proceeded to New York City by limousine from Newark. (u)

On April 30, 1946 at 5:00 PM, RAY left her residence. She proceeded to Columbus Circle where she met her husband. Thereafter they proceeded to the Young China Restaurant, 33 Eighth Street. At 7:30 PM, they left this restaurant and walked to the Greenwich Village Theater near 7th Avenue and at 10:15 PM returned home. No further activity was observed on this date.

The surveillance logs made up in connection with this surveillance have been placed in the case file. The Agents who conducted this surveillance are as follows:

L. MORRIS BEST
JOHN J. DANAHY
JOHN HENRY DOYLE
FRANCIS J. GALLANT
FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN
DONALD E. SHANNON
JAMES R. SHINNERS
LAWRENCE W. SPILLANE
ROSS D. WOLCOTT

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MIRIAM BEHRSTOCK

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In the report of Special Agent EDWARD W. DOOLEY, April 12, 1946, New York, information is set forth to the effect that on March 21, 1946, Confidential Informant [REDACTED], whose identity is known to the Bureau, reported that RAY ELSON spoke to a woman identified as MIRIAM BEHRSTOCK. MIRIAM stated that she wanted to see RAY "get that little card filled out". A physical surveillance of RAY ELSON's activities reflected that on March 26, 1946, RAY ELSON contacted MIRIAM BEHRSTOCK at her residence, 21 University Place, New York City. b2
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Special Agent JAMES R. SHINNERS ascertained from ANDREW YENCHAR, superintendent, 21 University Place, that Mrs. MIRIAM BEHRSTOCK resides in apartment 4D at that address. He described BEHRSTOCK in a manner similar to the description obtained by the surveilling agent on March 26, 1946, at the time when ELSON contacted this woman. He related that he had been suspicious of the activities in the BEHRSTOCK apartment because of the nightly meetings which took place there and that frequently six or eight people a night come to the BEHRSTOCK apartment. Mr. YENCHAR also related that on a recent occasion when he was in the BEHRSTOCK apartment to repair a radiator, he noticed Communist literature in the apartment and conversations of a similar nature. He added that Mrs. BEHRSTOCK is employed at Bellevue Hospital as a psychologist.

JACK BAIY, agent for the H. STANLEY HILLIER REAL ESTATE OFFICE, 21 University Place, made available the lease of Mrs. MIRIAM BEHRSTOCK which reflected the following references:

Mrs. HARRY ROBIN
78 Riverside Drive
New York City

Mrs. MARY RANEN
318 Second Avenue
New York City

Miss ROSABELLE VELD
Plaza Hotel
New York City

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It was noted from the real estate records that BEHRSTOCK formerly resided at 78 Riverside Drive, New York City, and was employed by Mrs. J. WASSERMAN, 124 West 79th Street, New York City, at the time the lease was executed.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, 32nd Street and Seventh Avenue were checked for information regarding ARTHUR and MIRIAM BEHRSTOCK with negative results.

The records of this office reflected that MIRIAM BEHRSTOCK is listed as a member of the SOCCO-VANZETTI CLUB, Communist Party, District Number 2.

The records of a confidential source of information, [REDACTED] whose identity is known to the Bureau, reflected that MIRIAM BEHRSTOCK, 21 University Place, has telephone number Gramercy 3-2615. Telephone service at that address was connected on November 15, 1945. Her employment was listed as a nurse for DR. MOSKOWITZ, 1111 Park Avenue, where she had been employed since about October 15, 1945. She had formerly been employed for two years at the Bellevue Hospital, New York City. NATIONAL CITY BANK, 23rd Street and Lexington Avenue, was given as a reference.

LOUIS and ETHEL BIALLY

A mail cover on the ELSON address reflected that mail was received April 6, 1946 from L. BIALLY, 286 East 206th Street, Bronx, New York. Also a physical surveillance of RAY ELSON on April 20, 1946 reflected that she and her husband went to 286 East 206th Street, Bronx, where they had a dinner engagement on that date with persons identified as LOUIS and ETHEL BIALLY. This information was reported from [REDACTED]

JOSEPH STOSS, superintendent, 286 East 206th Street, Bronx, advised that LOUIS BIALLY and his wife reside in apartment 3A at that address and have been residents there approximately four years. He further advised that they had no children and both LOUIS BIALLY and his wife are employed. He described LOUIS BIALLY as follows:

Age	50
Height	5'
Weight	150 lbs.
Hair	Gray
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Dark
Build	Short
Characteristics	Wears glasses.

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ETHEL BIALLY is described as follows:

Age	46
Height	5'
Weight	115 lbs.
Hair	Gray
Complexion	Fair

JAMES A. NECKLER, agent in the real estate office, and JOHN J. McHULTY, 250 Perry Avenue, Bronx, advised that they were real estate agents for the building 286 East 206th Street. They further advised that LOUIS BIALLY resided at that address since September 1942 and that prior thereto, had resided at 1683 Boston Road, Bronx, New York. The BIALLYS were described as good tenants who paid their rent promptly in cash. No credit information or references were available concerning the BIALLYS.

The records of local board #97, 1910 Arthur Avenue, Bronx, reflected that LOUIS BIALLY registered for Selective Service on April 26, 1942, at which time he resided at 1683 Boston Road. He was born in Poland, December 1, 1896 and his wife's name is ETHEL BIALLY. He gave his employment as FROST & STONE, 200 Tillary Street, Brooklyn, New York.

The records of this office reflected the names of LOUIS and ETHEL BIALLY on a list of Communist Party members who attended meetings held at the MOSCOW HORNWOOD VICTORY CLUB, Howe Avenue and 204th Street, Bronx, New York. This information was obtained from Special Squad #1, New York Police Department.

JACK GOLDMAN

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] has reported contact between RAY ELSON and a person known as YANK. On April 13, 1946 YANK again contacted RAY ELSON at which time he suggested that he would like to see RAY for breakfast on some day and on April 14, 1946, RAY ELSON called the Virginia Apartments, which is located at 226 East 12th Street, New York City, and asked to speak to JACK GOLDMAN, apartment 1CD. During the conversation with GOLDMAN, ELSON addressed him as YANK. (S/14)

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JAMES McCALL, Superintendent, 226 East 22nd Street, advised that the apartment house at that address is known as the Virginia Apartments, and that JACK GOLDMAN resides in apartment 100. The lease records reflected that GOLDMAN moved to that address on October 26, 1943. He formerly resided at RIVERBINE STUDIOS, 342 West 71st Street, New York City. A letter in the real estate records, made available by the superintendent, reflected that GOLDMAN had resided at 342 West 71st Street from August 26, 1942 until he moved to his present residence. Apartment 100, according to McCALL is a two and one half room apartment for which GOLDMAN pays approximately \$50 rent each month. He occupies the apartment alone except that he has several visitors in the apartment at different times. In particular, McCALL noticed that GOLDMAN has a girlfriend who is seen in GOLDMAN's company quite frequently. The identity of this friend is unknown to McCALL. However, he described her as follows:

Age	40
Height	5' 3"
Weight	120 lbs.
Build	Medium
Hair	Black
Complexion	Medium

McCALL could give no information concerning GOLDMAN's employment, nor had he any information as to the organization which GOLDMAN might be associated with. He recalled, however, that recently he was eating in a nearby restaurant where he met GOLDMAN. They were discussing food and it developed that GOLDMAN was having some Russian food. This started a conversation concerning Russia during which McCALL informed GOLDMAN that he had been interned in Russia while serving with the United States Maritime Service. It appeared this internment was a result of some infraction of the Maritime laws. During this conversation, GOLDMAN informed McCALL that he was from Russia and went into a great deal of explanation of various things about Russia. There was no positive indication from this conversation that GOLDMAN was pro-Russian according to McCALL. However, he did appear to be very well-informed about Russian affairs. Regarding GOLDMAN's mail, which McCALL handles, McCALL stated that he could not recall any unusual mail or literature and an examination of GOLDMAN's lease reflected that he signed it as JACK GOLDMAN. No aliases, known by McCALL, but he described GOLDMAN as follows:

Name	JACK GOLDMAN
Address	Apartment 100 226 East 22nd Street, N.Y.C.
Height	5' 6"
Weight	170 lbs.
Age	30
Build	Stocky
Complexion	Light
Characteristics	Wears glasses.

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The records of local board #24, 200 West 71st Street, reflected that JACK GOLDMAN registered for Selective Service on April 26, 1942, at which time he gave his address as in care of JOE ELSON, 636 West 136th Street. No telephone number was listed. GOLDMAN was born on July 15, 1893 in Warsaw, Poland and JOE ELSON was listed as the person who will always know his address. His employer was SAM ZUCKER, 498 Seventh Avenue, New York City. The records had reflected that GOLDMAN subsequently moved to 342 West 71st Street, which was the most recent address on record at the local board.

It will be recalled that RAY and JOSEPH ELSON formerly resided at 636 West 136th Street and the JOE ELSON mentioned above is undoubtedly RAY ELSON's husband.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, 395 - 7th Avenue, were checked for information concerning JACK GOLDMAN, with negative results.

The records of this office reflected the following information which can be identified with JACK GOLDMAN at 226 East 12th Street, New York City:

In the case entitled: "INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER, NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION; INTERNAL SECURITY - C", JACK GOLDMAN, 226 East 12th Street, New York City, was listed as a delegate to the INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER, 6TH NATIONAL CONVENTION, held at New York City, from July 2 to July 7, 1944. According to these records, GOLDMAN joined the IWO in 1930 and gave his occupation as an operator, presently employed, with union affiliation as the ILGWU. JACK GOLDMAN of New York was listed as secretary of the Nominations Committee of the American Jewish Section of the IWO.

The "Daily Worker", dated April 24, 1944, reflects an article by IDA THEAL, business manager of the IWO magazine "Voice of Unity", entitled: 'IWO In Draft FDR Needle Trade Drive'. This article states that the trade union committee of the IWO had launched a 'draft ROOSEVELT' campaign among New York needle trade workers. JACK GOLDMAN of local #22, ILGWU, brought greetings to this meeting.

DANIEL VICTOR KOERNER
FLORENCE KOERNER

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On March 28, 1946, as set forth in the report of Special Agent EDWARD W. DOOLEY, April 12, 1946, New York, RAY ELSON and her husband were visited by people later identified as DANIEL and FLORENCE KOERNER, who reside at 408 East 10th Street, New York City.

The records of this office reflected that DANIEL KOERNER, 408 East 10th Street, New York City, was a member of the Communist Party, 6th Assembly District, 650 East 9th Street, New York City, and was born on November 16, 1909, Bronx, New York. The September 22, 1942 issue of the "Daily Worker" lists the name of DAN KOERNER, Executive Secretary of the ARTISTS LEAGUE OF AMERICA, as a guest at a dinner in honor of Mother ELIA REENES BLOOR, on completion of a 6,000 mile tour of the nation, arousing the Americans of the need of a second front. This dinner was held at the Riverside Plaza Hotel, 253 West 71st Street, New York City, September 22, 1942. DANIEL and his wife FLORENCE supported the American Labor Party ticket from 1940-1944.

DANIEL KOERNER is registered for Selective Service with local board #18, 1133 Broadway, New York City. The records there reflected that he attended the ART STUDENTS LEAGUE and also studied at the EDUCATIONAL ALLIANCE. He was married on June 5, 1932 in New York City and his wife in 1921 was 30 years of age. On October 21, 1941 he filed an affidavit that his wife was employed as secretary and typist for the Waiters and Waitresses Union, local #1, 218 West 40th Street, New York City, at a salary of \$30.00 per week.

His Occupational Questionnaire, dated June 23, 1942, indicated that he was Executive Secretary of the ARTISTS LEAGUE OF AMERICA, 33 East 20th Street, New York City, and that he had held this position since May 1, 1942. His work there consisted of coordination of various committees and the various duties of the Executive Board of this league. On August 15, 1944 he advised his local board that he was employed by the BONDED FUR CLEANERS, 208 West 27th Street, New York City, as a truck driver at a salary of \$50.00 per week. His description, as obtained from the Selective Service records, is as follows:

Name

DANIEL VICTOR KOERNER, alias Dan Koerner.

Address

408 East 10th Street, N.Y.C.

Age

36

Race

White

Citizenship

United States

Height

5' 9 3/4"

Weight

222 lbs.

Eyes

Brown

Hair

Brown

Complexion

Fair

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whose identity is known to the

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EMANUEL UNGER, 408 East 10th Street, New York City, advised that DANIEL and FLORENCE KOERNER reside in apartment 6C at that address. He described them in a manner similar to the description obtained by the surveilling agents on March 28, 1946, but could give no additional information concerning their activities.

DR. JEANETTE SAKHEIM

(u) In the report of Special Agent EDWARD W. DOOLEY, dated April 12, 1946, at New York, information is set forth that Confidential Informant [redacted] had reported that RAY ELSON had contacted the above named individual in connection with her illness. On April 13, 1946 a physical surveillance of RAY ELSON reflected that she was observed entering 522 West End Avenue. It was noted that DR. JEANETTE SAKHEIM has an office at that address.

The AER records of this office reflected that DR. SAKHEIM of 522 West End Avenue formerly resided at 267 West 89th Street, New York City. She was born on July 31, 1890 in Lieban, Courland, now Latvia, as a Russian citizen. In 1899 her family immigrated from Latvia to Hamburg, Germany. She was employed as a physician at the HEBREW HOME FOR CHILDREN, 1776 Clay Avenue, Bronx, until October 26, 1943. She studied medicine first at Luzern, Switzerland, and afterwards in Berlin, Germany. She became a German citizen February 10, 1920 under the WEIMAR republic and immigrated to the United States on December 28, 1936 on a Latvian quota. She came here for racial, religious, and political reasons. Her physical description is as follows:

Age	55
Height	4' 11 1/2"
Weight	126 lbs.
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown
Complexion	Fair

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On August 23, 1943 her premises were searched as an alien enemy with negative results.

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[Re: JOSEPH GREGG] (S)(u)

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The following information reported by Special Agent LAWRENCE SPILLANE, reflects the activities of JOSEPH GREGG in the New York area from April 26 to April 30, and from May 4, to May 6, 1946:

On April 26, 1946, the Newark Field Division advised that GREGG was at the office of DR. ABRAHAM BENEDICT WEINSTEIN, 20 East 53rd Street, New York City. Special Agents J. H. DOYLE, H. D. O'NEILL, and E. W. STUTZMAN observed GREGG leaving 20 East 53rd Street, the office of DR. WEINSTEIN, at 1:05 P.M., April 26, 1946. GREGG requested information of New York policemen regarding the directions to 1401 Avenue J, in Brooklyn, New York and then after making two telephone calls GREGG was observed by these agents entering the elevator in a building located at 221 West 57th Street, New York City at 2:11 P.M. GREGG was then observed by these agents at 2:25 P.M. entering the EXCELSIOR BANK at 221 West 57th Street, where he made another telephone call. GREGG was then surveilled via the subway to Brooklyn, New York, and at 3:30 P.M. he was seen entering the ROCKABYE SHOP, at 1401 Avenue J. At 3:45 P.M. these agents observed GREGG window shopping on his way back to Manhattan and at 5:05 P.M. he again entered 20 East 53rd Street, New York City, where the offices of DR. WEINSTEIN are located. At 6:35 P.M. GREGG left 20 East 53rd Street and he was surveilled to Pennsylvania Station where he boarded the 7:00 P.M. train destined to Philadelphia, Pa.

On April 27, 1946 the Newark Field Division advised that GREGG was at 184 Sullivan Street, New York City, and they later reported that he was surveilled to 334 West 87th Street, New York City. On April 27, 1946 Special Agents N. M. KALMUS, F. D. O'BRIEN, and D. E. SHANNON observed GREGG, a woman, and two children leaving 334 West 87th Street, New York City at 6:30 P.M. They entered a Chevrolet sedan bearing Virginia license number 142-099 and they proceeded to 25 Montgomery Place, in Brooklyn, New York. At 8:30 P.M. GREGG, the unknown woman and two children left Montgomery Place, Brooklyn, New York, and returned to 334 West 87th Street, New York City. An inquiry was conducted at 334 West 87th Street, New York City, and it was ascertained that JOSEPH GREGG was visiting in apartment 7C at this address and the tenant in this apartment is VICTOR H. KAY. The Manhattan telephone directory revealed that VICTOR H. KAY of 334 West 87th Street, New York City has an insurance office at 84 William Street, New York City. The files in the New York Field Division were examined for a record on VICTOR H. KAY with negative results.

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On April 28, 1946 Special Agents J. H. DOYLE and F. W. ARMSTRONG observed GREGG leaving 334 West 87th Street, New York City with his wife and two children. They entered a Chevrolet sedan with ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ license number 142-099 and proceeded to 184 Sullivan Street, New York City, where they entered at 11:45 A.M. At 4:00 P.M. on this date GREGG and his family were observed leaving 184 Sullivan Street, and they drove to the Empire State Building on a sight-seeing tour. At 5:30 P.M. GREGG and his family left the Empire State Building, re-entered their car, and after making a stop at a Kosher delicatessen to obtain food, they drove to 334 West 87th Street, New York City.

On April 29, 1946 Special Agents R. E. FURCOLOW and LAWRENCE SPILLANE observed GREGG, his wife and two children entering a Chevrolet sedan bearing license number Virginia 142-099 and they drove to Pennsylvania Station where GREGG placed his wife and two children aboard the 10:30 A.M. train destined to Washington, D. C. At 10:47 A.M. GREGG was observed entering his automobile alone near Pennsylvania Station and he drove along the westside highway, New York City, across the George Washington Bridge to route 4 and route 17 on into New Jersey. GREGG made several stops along route 17 which were usual in nature and which included the towns of Tuxedo, New York and Liberty, New York. At 4:30 P.M. GREGG arrived at Binghamton, New York and he inquired of a local policeman regarding the best route to Buffalo, New York. After eating at a cafe at 60 Court Street, Binghamton, New York, GREGG entered his car at 5:05 P.M. and drove on route 11 to Lafayette, New York, where he turned west on route 20 heading toward Buffalo, New York. After making several more usual stops which included refueling, observing the sunset over Kayuga Lake, GREGG entered Seneca Falls, New York at 8:27 P.M. He was observed entering a diner opposite the Gould Hotel in Seneca Falls, New York, and he then drove to the Pine Tree Lodge, a tourist home at Alburn Road and Kayuga Street, Seneca Falls, New York, where he spent the rest of that night. At 1:03 A.M., on April 30, 1946, the surveillance was turned over to Special Agents JOHN A. RAITER and MARION E. TORRENS of the Buffalo Field Division.

On May 4, 1946 Special Agent MARION E. TORRENS of the Buffalo Field Division advised that GREGG, accompanied by his sister-in-law, VIOLA SHAW, arrived at 34 Bonair Avenue, New Rochelle, New York. It was previously reported that GREGG visited 34 Bonair Avenue, New Rochelle, New York on March 22, 1946 and it was ascertained that DAVID BAGDANOFF was a resident at this address.

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GREGG was not observed during the day of May 5, 1946, but in the evening GREGG, accompanied by three individuals believed to be VIOLA SHAW and Mr. and Mrs. BAGDANOFF, were observed leaving 34 Bonair Avenue, New Rochelle, New York in a 1942 Pontiac sedan, license number 5V69-57, owned by DAVID BAGDANOFF. They proceeded to a theater in Larchmont, New York, and after seeing the show they returned to 34 Bonair Avenue, New Rochelle, New York.

On May 6, 1946, Special Agents E. H. MacKENZIE and H. W. PHILCOX observed at 9:30 A.M. GREGG and a woman believed to be VIOLA SHAW entering a Chevrolet sedan with Virginia license number 142-099 and they drove to New York City across the George Washington Bridge into New Jersey. They were surveilled by these agents along U.S. route #1 to Woodbridge, New Jersey, where the surveillance was discontinued at 11:15 A.M., inasmuch as GREGG apparently was proceeding toward Washington, D. C.

It was previously reported that GREGG was observed at the Marragansett Hotel, 2058 Broadway, New York City, on March 22, 1946 with four individuals who are believed to be Mr. and Mrs. DAVID BAGDANOFF and Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM EPSTEIN.

On March 28, 1946 Special Agent L. M. BEST observed an Army officer leaving the Marragansett Hotel and entering a tan Buick sedan bearing 1946 New York license 7N42-83. This Army officer was not identified by Special Agent BEST as one of the contacts of GREGG observed during the evening of March 22, 1946, but there appeared to be some similarity in appearance.

The records of the Registry of Motor Vehicles in New York City revealed that the automobile registration of a 1939 Buick sedan license number 7N42-83 is listed to WILLIAM EPSTEIN, 34 Bonair Avenue, New Rochelle, New York. It is noted that this is also the address of DAVID BAGDANOFF. Investigation is presently being conducted to ascertain the identity of GREGG's associates and to report information regarding the background and activities of these associates.

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Re: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT GREGORY **CONFIDENTIAL**

The following is being dictated by Special Agents Thomas G. Spencer and Joseph M. Kelly and represents information supplied to them by Informant GREGORY from April 10, 1946, to May 4, 1946.

During the above-mentioned period, Informant has been in contact almost daily with Agents of this Division. A considerable portion of their conversations with her has dealt with the affairs of the U.S. Service and Shipping Corporation and World Tourists, Inc., and inasmuch as there has been no indication for more than six months that Russian Agents are still actively interested in these concerns, the details of Informant's remarks about them are not being reported. As has been clearly explained to Informant, Agents handling her have informed her that this Bureau does not intend to attempt to dictate the policies of the company, nor to guide its affairs in any manner, and it is believed that Informant has no illusions whatsoever about the Bureau's expressed attitude on this matter. By discussing company affairs with the Informant, however, it is possible to keep currently cognizant, so that in the event there is a renewed attempt on the part of Russian Agents to infiltrate or otherwise become interested in the companies, such developments will be readily recognized.

It might be said that at the present time the U.S. Service and Shipping Corporation is engaged in a program of expansion, including the designation of several concerns as sub-agents to handle parcel business for it and, in addition, is attempting to negotiate an extension of its present contract with Intourist, Moscow. It will be recalled that the contract under which business is presently being conducted was extended in October, 1945, through the intervention of AL (GROMOV), but there has been no indication in the current negotiations that he is participating in any way.

On April 16, 1946, a photograph of BORIS NIKOLAEVICH BRYLOV, which was attached to Washington Field Office letter dated April 10, 1946, was exhibited to Informant; however, she failed to identify this individual.

Since the date of the last report in instant case, Informant has been in contact with EARL BROWDER at the request of the reporting Agents and has been able to develop considerable information of value concerning the trip to Europe which he began on April 26, 1946. This information was immediately relayed to Agents handling the investigation of BROWDER and has been forwarded to the Bureau. Inasmuch as it is being set out in detail in connection with the BROWDER case, it is not being repeated herein, with the exception of an interview of the Informant which deals in detail with the last minute plans and departure of BROWDER. A separate insert on that phase of the investigation has been prepared and is included hereinafter.

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On April 22, 1946, Informant advised that a few days previously she had kept a luncheon engagement with ELMER ROPES, an official of the United States Commerce Department who has been previously mentioned herein as the individual whom Informant visited in Washington on March 15, 1946. This recent meeting in New York City resulted from ROPES' offer to assist Informant and the U.S. Service and Shipping Corporation in any way possible in connection with its business affairs. Informant has become rather well acquainted with ROPES and describes him as a man in his late 60's who is close to Secretary of Commerce HENRY A. WALLACE. She said it was clear that ROPES enthusiastically favors a betterment of commercial and cultural relations between this country and the USSR; that his desire to help her company is motivated by that attitude; but that, although he feels Communism is all right for the Russians, he does not believe it has any place here and is anti-Communistic so far as this country is concerned.

It was further learned from Informant that ROPES and an unnamed colleague of his in the Commerce Department plan to depart for Moscow on or about May 15, 1946, and expect to remain there for approximately three months on a trade mission for the Commerce Department. He voluntarily offered to be of any assistance possible to the U.S. Service and Shipping Corporation while he was in Russia, and said he would do what he could towards securing either an extension of the present contract or a favorable new contract for the company.

On May 3, 1946, there were exhibited to Informant photographs of the following individuals, such photographs having been supplied to this office as enclosures with Bureau letter dated April 23, 1946, in the CORBY Case:

FREDERICK W. TOLAND
MATT S. NIGHTINGALE
RAYMOND BOYER
DURNFORD SMITH
SAM CARR
JAMES SCOTLAND BENNING
DAVID GORDON LUNAN
EDWARD WILFRED MAZERALL
FREDA LINTON

FRED ROSE
HAROLD SAMUEL GERSON
KATHLEEN WILLISHER
EDNA WOIKIN
DAVID SHUGAR
ERIC GEORGE ADAMS
ISRAEL HALPERIN
SAMUEL SAUL BURMAN

Informant was unable to make an identification of any of the above-listed individuals, with the exception of FRED ROSE, with whom, of course, she is well acquainted. Her particular attention was directed to the photograph of FREDA LINTON, was, but she re-affirmed her earlier assertion that this woman was not identical with the "girl friend" of FRED ROSE's whom she had seen in New York City in the fall of 1943. She again inquired

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if LINTON had ever been in the Canadian military service and repeated her statement that this woman definitely was in the uniform of the Canadian Women's Army during her visit to New York. She commented that ROSE had the reputation of being a "ladies' man" and that the girl she saw in New York may have been a current love interest. It is to be recalled, however, that it was Informant's recollection that that girl's name was on the list of seven or eight individuals whom ROSE discussed with GOLOS with reference to the latter's obtaining contacts for them.

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The following is being dictated by Special Agent Joseph M. Kelly and represents information supplied by Informant GREGORY:

On May 6, 1946, the Informant advised that in accordance with previously reported plans, she had met HELEN TENNEY at Longchamps Restaurant, 59th Street and Madison Avenue, on May 4, 1946. She declared that she had spent considerable time with her but that the conversation was entirely about the social affairs and personal problems of TENNEY and that there was no discussion or hint whatsoever of espionage activities, past or present. It was learned further that TENNEY was somewhat upset because of the recent death of the doctor with whom her mother has been living in illegal relationship for about twenty years, and that due to his death a number of problems have arisen, specifically the financial situation of her mother. The details of this situation are not being reported herein inasmuch as it is not felt that they are relevant to instant case. It is to be noted that TENNEY made no request of Informant for funds nor did she again request that Informant attempt to arrange a meeting for her with her erstwhile contacts. Informant also said that she advised TENNEY that she planned to be in Washington on May 9th and 10th and TENNEY informed her she would be very happy to have dinner with her. She did not explain to TENNEY the reason for this Washington trip and it will be recalled that so far as Informant knows TENNEY does not know Informant's true employment.

On May 9, 1946, Informant telephonically advised Special Agent Kelley that she had secured reservations at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington for May 9 and 10, 1946 and was departing that day. She explained that her trip was occasioned by the necessity of having a conference with ERNEST ROPES, of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, United States Department of Commerce. (This individual was mistakenly referred to in previous reports as ELMER ROPES.)

The Bureau and Washington Field were advised by teletype of Informant GREGORY's proposed trip and the reason therefor, as well as the fact that she planned to have dinner with HELEN TENNEY.

On May 13, 1946, GREGORY telephonically advised the writer that nothing of interest had occurred during her trip to Washington and on interview, May 15, 1946, advised that she had met TENNEY the previous Friday evening and had spent sometime with her. She declared that again there was

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no conversation or hint of espionage activities on the part of TENNEY, and that the latter was almost wholly preoccupied with her social life, particularly SCOTT LOCKWOOD, with whom she said she has fallen in love. Informant declared TENNEY had told her that LOCKWOOD, previously identified in instant case, is with O.S.S., presently stationed in Paris, France, but that he expects to return to the United States in July of 1946. Informant was able to learn in addition that LOCKWOOD's ideology is much more conservative than TENNEY's and that they occasionally have clashes of opinion on matters of political philosophy. Informant continued that on the occasion of this conversation with TENNEY, she learned for the first time that TENNEY claimed she had been attempting for more than a year to get away from her past activities and contacts, the latter apparently referring to espionage contacts. She explained to Informant that she had told the man who succeeded GREGORY in contacting her that there was a conflict between her personal life and her work for him, but that he told her she should adjust herself and things would work out. In addition, she claimed to have protested also to her succeeding contact, the woman unidentified to date, and to have told her that she was getting somewhat tired of going on in the manner she had.

According to TENNEY, she was somewhat irritated by the public disagreement between the BROWDER and FOSTER factions of the Communist Party; that the allegations and counter-charges made by each group were childish; and that when she encountered CAROLINE FLEINER on a vacation and was forced to listen to her read criticisms of BROWDER for hours at a time, she became completely disgusted. She indicated her attitude to this unknown woman contact and told her that because of the interference with her personal life and the turbulent condition of Party affairs, she wanted to be relieved of her duties but secured no definite answer on that. Informant was unable to supply any additional information believed to be of interest to this investigation so far as TENNEY is presently concerned.

Agents were also advised by Informant that on May 13, 1946 she had received a telephone call from WILLIAM BROWDER, who at first identified himself as "Mr. BRANCH", which name she recognized as one of his frequent aliases. He informed her that he had on May 6, 1946 received a cablegram from his brother, EARL BROWDER, in Moscow, stating he had arrived safely and that his friends had picked him up in Helsinki (Finland) and helped him. BILL told Informant further that he expected to receive in the immediate future a long "important" letter from EARL and that he would communicate with her immediately upon receipt thereof.

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RE: MAURICE HALPERIN (S)(u)

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On April 9, 1946 the following agents were on the surveillance of MAURICE HALPERIN: L. W. SPILLANE, J. P. GARVEY, and MICHAEL M. O'ROURKE.

At 1:00 p.m. HALPERIN arrived at Penn Station aboard the Legislator. He walked through Penn Station, ascended the stairs to Seventh Avenue, walked east on 32nd Street to Fifth Avenue and north to 34th Street, where he was met by two unidentified men in front of Longchamps Restaurant on the southwest corner of 34th Street and Fifth Avenue. All three then walked to the Martinique Hotel where they proceeded to the Georgian Room for dinner. They arrived at 1:30 p.m.

At 2:40 p.m. HALPERIN and the two unidentified men, A and B, left the Georgian Room, and walked out via the 32nd Street exit where A parted. HALPERIN and the other unidentified man walked east to Fifth Avenue, north to 41st Street, where they ascended the stairs of the New York Public Library. They there sat on a bench outside the library and were engaged in conversation while sitting on this bench for about fifteen minutes. They then left the bench of the Public Library and walked north to 535 Fifth Avenue where they entered and took an elevator to the 12th floor. Riding up on the elevator HALPERIN was heard by Special Agent M. M. O'ROURKE to remark to the unidentified man that he "respected his judgement".

At 3:55 p.m. HALPERIN and the unidentified man left 535 Fifth Avenue, proceeded east to Madison Avenue and north to the Roosevelt Hotel, where they entered. The unidentified man picked up a magazine at the Roosevelt Hotel and then HALPERIN and the unidentified man walked to and entered 38 East 51st Street. They entered at 4:15 p.m. At 4:40 p.m. HALPERIN and the unidentified man carrying a dark green canvas Army type suitcase, left 38 East 51st Street, walked east to Park Avenue, and entered a taxi cab. The cab proceeded south on Park Avenue.

The following is a description of the two unidentified men:

Unidentified man A:

Height
Weight
Build
Hair
Face

6'3"
190 to 200
Well proportioned
Brown; graying at the temples.
Sharp features; pointed nose;
small upper lip covered with small
brown moustache; small eyes with
"bags" under them; appeared
English looking.

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Brown hat;
brown topcoat;
brown suit;
generally neat.

Peculiarities

Broad shoulders; slightly hunched;
feet turned slightly out and while walking.

Unidentified Man B:

Height
Weight
Build
Hair
Face

5'5" to 5'6"

150 to 155

Stocky and dumpy

Dark, curly, combed back.

Large nose; high forehead;

rather large lips.

Appearance and dress

Gray tweed suit with a cut in the
rear; brown shoes; gray topcoat;

no hat; generally sloppy.

Peculiarities

Sticks out in the rear; feet turned
out while walking.

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RE: ALGER HISS

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent MICHAEL M. O'ROURKE on April 24 and 25, 1946:

Reference is made to the letter from the Washington Field Office dated April 16, 1946 in which the New York Office was requested to identify JAMES C. BONBRIGHT, 29 Clairmont Avenue, New York City. JAMES C. BONBRIGHT resides in apartment 10M at 29 Clairmont Avenue. He has been a resident there for the last two years.

FLORENCE RATH, resident manager at the premises, advised that JAMES C. BONBRIGHT teaches economics at Columbia University.

Reference is made to the letter from the Washington Field Office dated April 16, 1946, requesting the New York Field Office to identify TIMOTHY HOBSON. A review of the files in the New York Office reflects the name of TIMOTHY HOBSON set out in Washington report dated 12/13/45 in this case. The report reflects that TIMOTHY HOBSON is the son of PRISCILLA HISS, wife of ALGER HISS, and stepson of ALGER HISS. Further information concerning HOBSON is contained in the Washington report.

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[Re: ALEXANDER KORAL] (X) u

The following information was dictated by Special Agent Nicholas M. Kalmes and covered the period from April 1, 1946 through May 2, 1946. (X) u

From Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, it was ascertained that neither ALEXANDER KORAL nor his wife made any contacts of importance from the period between April 1, 1946 and April 10, 1946 although they were known to have been in New York during that period. (X) u

On April 11, 1946 the above informant reported that Mrs. KORAL contacted CLARA STRAUSSER at the Peter Stuyvesant Hotel and invited Mr. and Mrs. STRAUSSER to dinner at the KORAL residence on April 15, 1946. (X) u

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that no contacts of importance to this case were made on April 12, 1946, but that on April 13, 1946, HELEN KORAL contacted a person whom she addressed as PEGGY, and advised PEGGY that the KORALS were having estimates made for repairs which they contemplate. (In order to ascertain whether or not the repairs referred to above were to be made in the apartment at 290 Empire Boulevard, the superintendent of the house in which this apartment is located was contacted and he advised that no repairs were being made in KORAL's apartment. It is assumed, therefore, that the repairs mentioned here relate to the KORAL country place which has been described in a previous report. (X) u

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that no contacts of importance were made on April 14, 1946 and April 15, 1946. On April 16, 1946 HELEN KORAL was contacted by a person whom she addressed as ROSE. ROSE advised that IRVING had his passport and expected to leave in two weeks and was going to travel through seven countries and then settle in Paris. IRVING was said to be serving in a semi-official capacity and was said to have been issued an outfit of Army type. (X) u

On April 17, 1946 no contacts of importance were made. On April 18, 1946, Mrs. KORAL was contacted by a person whom she addressed as PEGGY. Both women were in agreement that the New York radio stations' broadcasts of the UN proceedings were a "treat to the country". Both women agreed to send post cards to the stations handling the broadcasts in order to praise them. They deplored the reporting by the regular press with the exception of that presented by J. RAYMOND WALSH. (X) u

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Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that there were no contacts of importance observed by this informant during the period [redacted] 1946 through April 30, 1946. (X) u

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On May 1, 1946 the above informant stated that Mrs. KORAL contacted a woman whom she addressed as BEE at BUCKMINSTER 2-7850. Mrs. KORAL told BEE that she was coming to New York to see the May Day Parade, that she always saw the parade in the past. Mrs. KORAL wanted to know if BEE and BILL were going to see the parade. (The above telephone number is listed to Mr. WILLIAM H. SCHWARTZ, 2100 Westbury Court, Brooklyn, New York.) On this same date Mrs. KORAL contacted a woman whom she addressed as GERTRUDE. She advised GERTRUDE that her son, GILBERT, would leave Sunday (presumably May 5, 1946) for the MAYO Brothers Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. Mrs. KORAL advised GERTRUDE that ROSE's husband, IRVING, had taken a position with the JEWISH DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE in Paris and was leaving soon for Paris by CLIPPER. (X) u

On May 2, 1946 a woman called BEE contacted Mrs. KORAL. Mrs. KORAL told BEE she went to the parade on Wednesday, May 1, 1946. (X) u

As a result of a mail cover placed on Mr. and Mrs. ALEXANDER KORAL at 290 Empire Boulevard, Brooklyn, New York, it was ascertained that on April 8, 1946 a letter was received by them postmarked Box 651, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. (Presumably this is from KORALS' oldest son who is presently at Chapel Hill, North Carolina.) On April 12, 1946 a letter was addressed to AL KORAL, 290 Empire Boulevard, Brooklyn, by the ASSOCIATION OF ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS, Local 533, 13 Astor Place, New York City. (X) u

During the pertinent period Mr. SALVATORE BASILE, superintendent of the apartment house at 290 Empire Boulevard, was contacted concerning the activities of ALEXANDER KORAL and his wife. Mr. BASILE advised that he noted no unusual activity on the part of either Mr. or Mrs. KORAL; that they continued to keep pretty much to themselves, and that it was only on extremely infrequent occasions that they spoke to him about anything.

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[RE: CHARLES KRAMER] (S)(u)

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent MICHAEL M. O'ROURKE on May 1 and 2, 1946:

Reference is made to the letter from the Washington Field Office dated April 19, 1946, requesting the New York Field Office to identify LEON JOSEPHSON. A review of the files in the New York Field Office reflects that LEON JOSEPHSON is the subject of an Internal Security - R case. He resides at 161 West 16th Street. He operates the Cafe Society Uptown, 128 East 58th Street, and Cafe Society Downtown, 2 Sheridan Square, New York City. He is closely associated with numerous individuals engaged in Communist activity, and with Communist organizations. He is also associated with persons suspected of Russian espionage activities. JOSEPHSON is reported to be an OGPU agent, and a brother of BARNEY JOSEPHSON.

Telephone number Gramercy 7-7300 is subscribed to by the CHELSEA MANAGEMENT CORPORATION at 13 Astor Place, New York City.

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[RE: NATHAN EINHORN] *[initials]*

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Joseph P. Garvey:

Reference is made to teletype from the Washington Field Office, dated February 12, 1946, in which it is set forth that a confidential source advised on [REDACTED] b1
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The files of the New York Office reflect that NATHAN EINHORN presently resides at 1 Middagh Street, Brooklyn, New York, and formerly resided at 55 Middagh Street, Brooklyn, New York. He is presently employed at the New York Newspaper Guild, 40 East 40th Street, New York City. The files further reflect that he was born in Brooklyn, New York on October 13, 1905. NATHAN EINHORN and his wife, JULIA, also known as FRIEDA EINHORN, were arrested on September 15, 1937 in the course of a strike at the Brooklyn Eagle, daily newspaper, Brooklyn, New York. NATHAN EINHORN's signature appeared on the nominating petition of the Communist Party for September 30, 1940. NATHAN EINHORN was invited to a conference of the CIO Political Action Committee on January 14, 1944 at the Park Central Hotel. NATHAN EINHORN is reported to have signed a petition denouncing the Dies Committee, and also a card to Governor Dewey, protesting the prosecution of MORRIS U. SCHAPPES.

[On March 23, 1943 he was a guest at a dinner given for PAUL ROBESON.] *[initials]*

[The surveillance reflected that they met and went to her apartment at 155 East 40th Street. It is significant to note that JOSEPH GREGG recently visited New York City and

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contacted Mr. and Mrs. CRAB VINCENT, 155 East 47th Street, immediately after leaving the office of Dr. ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN, who is also under investigation in this case. *RMJ*

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The files failed to reflect any further information which would associate NATHAN EINHORN with Dr. ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN.

A description of NATHAN EINHORN is as follows:

Height	5' 9"
Weight	144
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Light

This description is taken from his Selective Service file. These records further indicate that NATHAN EINHORN's father is HENRY EINHORN, 290 Riverside Drive, New York City. Other relatives were set out as follows:

MILTON, age 35, U. S. Army

DAVID, age 32, employed at Washington, D. C.

HERBERT, age 30, employed at Washington, D. C.

LEONARD, 28, employed at Washington, D. C.

MILDRED, age 33, employed at Washington, D. C.

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RE: ALLAN R. ROSENBERG

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The records of Local Board 135, 44 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York, reflect a Selective Service registration for [REDACTED]

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The records of the New York Office reflect that HAUSMAN and his wife MARIE ELIZABETH HAUSMAN have been subjects of a Security Matter - C investigation. The New York City Police Department had advised that WILLIAM KESSLER, 121-22 7th Avenue, College Point, New York, was arrested by the Police Department on July 2, 1943. On interview he advised that he was a member of the Flushing Club, Third Assembly District, of the Communist Party and also that HOWARD HAUSMAN and MARIE HAUSMAN were members of the same branch. KESSLER confirmed this statement in a subsequent interview by Special Agents of this office. [On September 14, 1944, it was ascertained from a highly confidential source having access to the Queens County Communist Party headquarters, 46-14 Queens Boulevard, Long Island, that HOWIE HAUSMAN, apparently referring to HOWARD HAUSMAN, is listed on a sheet of participants training to persons who are teachers and instructors in classes in Communist Party associations, in jobs and labor. This sheet of

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[paper contained approximately forty-seven names of such persons and were for the most part names already known to this office from other sources as active officers and members of the Communist Party. **CONFIDENTIAL** *JH*

On March 3, 1945, a confidential and reliable source [REDACTED]

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RE: HELEN TENNEY (W/19)

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent ARTHUR W. RICHARDSON, JR. on March 29, March 30, April 17 and April 24, 1946 to ascertain the identity of Mrs. LEONARD KEELER, 21 Ridge Road, Bronxville, New York, (letter from Washington Field Division dated March 12, 1946):

At Bronxville, New York

Village Clerk JERRY LEARY advised that he has known LEONARD KEELER for approximately fifty years. According to LEARY, Mr. KEELER and his family are outstanding citizens in the village of Bronxville. He stated that Mr. KEELER was either the president or the chairman of the Board of Directors of the WAR LEONARD ELECTRICAL COMPANY of Yonkers. He also mentioned the fact that KEELER had been the Mayor of Bronxville in about 1914.

Detective Sergeant MICHAEL MAGUIRE of the Bronxville Police Department confirmed the information obtained from village clerk, JERRY LEARY, stating further that the entire family were well known in Bronxville.

A check of the records of Local Board 742 Tuckahoe, New York reflects that LEONARD KEELER is married and has one son, JOHN ARMSTRONG KEELER, who entered the United States Maritime Service during the last war. KEELER was born in Cincinnati, Ohio and is an officer of the WAR LEONARD ELECTRICAL COMPANY.

A check of the records of the Credit Bureau, Chamber of Commerce, reflected that Mrs. LEONARD KEELER and her husband resided at 21 Ridge Road, they have an excellent credit standing, that Mrs. KEELER'S first name is EDYTHE and her middle initial is A. KEELER'S occupation was given as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the WAR LEONARD ELECTRICAL COMPANY, a large electrical manufacturing concern and a Director of the GRAMATAN NATIONAL BANK.

Reference to WHO'S WHO, Volume 23, Year 1945, reflects that Mrs. LEONARD KEELER'S maiden name was EDYTHE A. ARMSTRONG, and that she was married to KEELER on September 11, 1915. They have two children,

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JOHN ARMSTRONG KEELER and RUTH KEELER. KEELER has been with the ~~WARD~~ **CONFIDENTIAL** LEONARD ELECTRICAL COMPANY of Mount Vernon, New York since 1904. They maintain a summer home at Edgertown, Massachusetts as well as their home at 21 Ridge Road, Bronxville, New York. KEELER has had a number of honored positions in various electrical manufacturing and electrical engineering associations and attended Columbia College. No derogatory information was obtained concerning either Mr. or Mrs. KEELER.

A check of the New York Field Division indices was negative except for an unspecific complaint filed by a complainant named L. HENDERSON who could not be found. This complaint was to the effect that EDYTHE KEELER as owner of the WARD LEONARD ELECTRICAL COMPANY was an Army and Navy contractor cleaning up a million dollars in electrical devices through parties tossed by his sales manager and bribery of the materials inspected. The complainant also asserted that KEELER violently attacked the Honorable HAROLD ICKES and has been sarcastic about the late President ROOSEVELT.

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Re: ABRAHAM BENEDICT WEINSTEIN (S)(u) ✓

The following investigation was conducted **CONFIDENTIAL**
Agent Donald E. Shannon and includes activities from March 28, 1946 to
May 7, 1946: (S)(u)

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This same informant advised that on [REDACTED] b1
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connection Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised that on April 26, 1946 b2
an unidentified female contacted Mrs. HELEN WINTER while she was in the b7D
office of Dr. WEINSTEIN. This contact was made at 5:25 p.m. and at that
time the unidentified woman caller stated she would be over to Dr.
WEINSTEIN's office at 7 p.m. HELEN WINTER stated she expected to be in
the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN for at least that length of time (S)(u)

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In connection with a mail cover placed on the office of
Dr. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN at 20 E. 53rd Street, New York City, the following
pertinent letters and cards were received at this address: (S)(u)

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A letter from Mrs. ~~EDGAR SNOW~~, Route #1, Madison, Connecticut. Mrs. ~~EDGAR SNOW~~ is the wife of ~~EDGAR SNOW~~, the post, who is prominently mentioned in the New York files as a Communist Party sympathizer and who is also mentioned as an individual familiar to the subjects in the JAFFE case. (S)

A letter was received postmarked April 19, 1946 with return address of 58 Park Avenue, New York City. This is the address of the American Russian Institute and previous investigation in connection with individuals who have been employed by this Institute has disclosed that return addresses for the American Russian Institute on letters mailed by individuals connected with the Institute are marked 58 Park Avenue, New York City. (S)(u)

On April 24, 1946 a letter was received from the American Youth for Democracy, which organization is subject of a Bureau investigation. (S)(u)

On April 25, 1946 a letter was received postmarked April 25, 1946, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from ZERO-MOSTEL, Warwick, Philadelphia, Pa. ZERO MOSTEL is the actor and subject of an Internal Security (C) investigation. (S)(u)

On April 25, 1946 a letter was received addressed to Miss B. HEART, c/o Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN, 20 E. 53rd Street, postmarked Woodbourne, New York, April 25, 1946, bearing the return address of Chesters Zunbarg, Woodbourne, New York. In this regard Miss B. HEART is in fact ELIZABETH MANSCHARDT, secretary to Dr. WEINSTEIN, and a close friend of his. Chesters Zunbarg is a vacation resort located in the Catskill Mountains in New York State and is pertinent in that in the summer of 1945 ERIC BERNAY, subject of an Internal Security (R) investigation, New York origin, and the employer of ARTHUR ADAMS, spent three or four weeks vacation at Chesters Zunbarg, Woodbourne, New York. (S)(u)

On April 27, 1946 a letter was received from E. CHODOROV, City Athletic Club, 50 W. 54th Street, New York City. This is EDWARD CHODOROV, prominently mentioned as a Communist sympathizer and who has been previously described as a Russian playwright. (S)(u)

The following information was obtained through the assistance of Confidential Informant [redacted] who is closely associated with the office of Dr. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN, 20 E. 53rd Street, New York: (S)(u)

On March 28, 1946 an unknown individual contacted a party by the name of FALLER who was at the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN. FALLER told this unknown individual that they are to meet with the secretary of the Association for Reconstruction in Yugoslavia at 5:30 p.m. in room 21, 465 Lexington Avenue on that evening. In this same conversation (S)(u)

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FALLER stated that feelers have been sent out for HOLLANDER. They said that they will go over the list of equipment that night but have not heard from the people from Washington. They mentioned that BALOKOVIC is in Detroit. It should be noted that the Association for Reconstruction in Yugoslavia, Inc. is subject of an Internal Security (C), Registration Act investigation now pending in New York. The secretary of this organization is GEORGE MIADIVICH and the headquarters of the organization are at 465 Lexington Avenue, which was mentioned in this conversation. HOLLANDER is in all probability LOUIS HOLLANDER, President of the New York State CIO Council. BALOKOVIC is in all probability ZLATKO BALOKOVIC, who is a member of the Board of Directors of the Association for the Reconstruction in Yugoslavia, and who is also on the Executive Board of the National Council for American Soviet Friendship, Inc. (S)(u)

On March 29, 1946 this informant advised that MIDGE CHODOROV, who is in fact MARJORIE CHODOROV, wife of EDWARD CHODOROV, previously mentioned, contacted LENORA WEINSTEIN, wife of Dr. WEINSTEIN, who at that time was in the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN. MARJORIE CHODOROV told LENORA WEINSTEIN that she was waiting at that time for a man from the FBI to bring her subpoena. BARSKY, she stated, and all the other members had gotten theirs and she said RANKIN is going to do a job on the whole board. MARJORIE CHODOROV is a member of the executive board of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee and BARSKY mentioned is Dr. EDWARD BARSKY, chairman of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. (S)(u)

On April 11, 1946 this informant advised that Dr. WEINSTEIN contacted FRANK SINATRA, the singer, and an appointment was made for SINATRA to come to Dr. WEINSTEIN for dental treatment at 5 p.m. on that date. (S)(u)

On April 11, 1946 a Mr. CUTLER (ph) contacted Dr. WEINSTEIN and made a tentative engagement to see him in the near future. CUTLER stated he expected to get work from Dupont for their Cavalcade radio program. In this conversation CUTLER was enthusiastic about SINATRA's activities in the youth field and he told WEINSTEIN that he was trying to get SHEP HERDS and others to do likewise. (S)(u)

On April 11, 1946 BETTY HEART, secretary to Dr. WEINSTEIN, contacted Dr. WEINSTEIN and at the time WEINSTEIN was at Cafe Society Uptown, which cafe is owned and operated by BARSKY and LEON JOSEFSON, both of whom are subjects of Bureau investigations and have been previously mentioned as contacts of Dr. WEINSTEIN. (S)(u)

On April 11, 1946 this informant advised that GREGORY BAUTZER contacted Dr. WEINSTEIN at his office. GREGORY BAUTZER at this time was in California and stated he would be in to see WEINSTEIN on his return trip to New York. BAUTZER is mentioned prominently as a Hollywood (S)(u)

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playboy and has been mentioned on several occasions by columnists in the New York newspapers as a Hollywood playboy who associates with several of the well known stage and screen stars. This same informant ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ it was GREGORY BAUTZER who in fact introduced HERBERT MAY and his family to Dr. WEINSTEIN. (u)

On April 12, 1946 this informant advised that Dr. WEINSTEIN was contacted by Dr. HAROLD AARON, who is subject of a Bureau investigation and who appears to be the personal physician of Dr. WEINSTEIN. At the time this contact was made Dr. HAROLD AARON told WEINSTEIN that he was probably taking too many sleeping pills and that was what seemed to be the trouble with him. (u)

On April 12, 1946 this informant advised that Dr. and LENORA WEINSTEIN had an appointment to be at the office of Dr. HAROLD AARON at 11 a.m. on that date. (u)

On April 17, 1946 Miss BROOKS, secretary to MOSS-HART, contacted the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN and Miss BROOKS said she will try to get him in next week. (u)

On April 18, 1946 PHILLIP MAY, son of HERBERT MAY, who is mentioned in the New York files as having been a contact of several Russians and who is a wealthy industrialist in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, contacted the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN and made an appointment to go to the office for treatment at 11:30 a.m. on that date. (u)

On April 19, 1946 this informant advised that Dr. WEINSTEIN told BETTY HEART, his secretary, that he would like to have PHILLIP MAY come in for completion of his dental work on that date. (u)

On April 23, 1946 this informant advised that GREGORY BAUTZER, previously mentioned, contacted the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN and spoke with BETTY HEART and BAUTZER stated he called about his teeth and that he would be in New York the first week in May. At that time BETTY HEART told him that everybody here was crazy about his friends, the MAYS. BAUTZER stated HERB MAY was a "great guy" and would make ABE a great friend. BAUTZER stated he wanted to be remembered to the "boys". (u)

On April 26, 1946 JOSEPH GREGG, subject of this investigation, contacted the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN at 2:25 p.m. and asked when he was to come back in. At that time BETTY HEART told him to come back at 4:45 p.m. (u)

This informant advised that on April 29, 1946 Mr. AMTER, who appeared to be DONALD AMTER who is connected with the Communist Party in New York City and who on prior occasions had contacted Dr. WEINSTEIN. (u)

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advised he would have to cancel his appointment for the following Wednesday because of May Day. (S)(u)

On May 2, 1946 PHILLIP MAY, son of HERBERT MAY, advised an employee of Dr. WEINSTEIN's office that he would have to break his dental appointment because he was going back home that night. He said he would probably be back on Tuesday and made a dental appointment for the following Tuesday. He stated he had not seen much of his family since he returned from the Dominicans. He stated if he comes up on Tuesday it will be on business since he is now working for his father. (S)(u)

On May 2, 1946 BETTY HEART, secretary to Dr. WEINSTEIN, advised a friend of hers that she had a holiday the day before because of May Day. (S)(u)

On May 2, 1946 DON AMTER, previously mentioned, again contacted the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN to make an appointment for Tuesday at 4 p.m. (S)(u)

On May 3, 1946 ZERO MOSTEL, the actor, and previously mentioned, advised Dr. WEINSTEIN that he had just arrived in town and that he would meet ABE for lunch on Monday at 1:30 p.m. MOSTEL further stated he was leaving for Detroit on Thursday as he had an engagement there at that time. (S)(u)

In connection with the informant's information that JOSEPH GREGG was to be back at the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN at 4:45 p.m. on April 26, 1946, it was noted that he was in fact observed to leave the building at 20 E. 53rd Street where Dr. WEINSTEIN has his offices, at 7 p.m. on this date. The surveilling agents, John Henry Doyle and Harry D. O'Neill, observed JOSEPH GREGG leave the building at that time and he proceeded immediately to the home of his brother at Newark, New Jersey. (S)(u)

The following information was obtained from Confidential Informant [redacted] which informant is in close association and in a position to obtain information as to the activities and contacts made at the home of Dr. WEINSTEIN in Stamford, Connecticut: (S)(u) b2 b7D

On March 30, 1946 a party by the name of MORTON THOMPSON, who is believed to be an actor in Hollywood, contacted Dr. WEINSTEIN and in a general conversation THOMPSON advised he was making pictures at that time and ABE WEINSTEIN told THOMPSON that he would be in Los Angeles in May and would look him up at that time. (S)(u)

This informant advised that on March 30, 1946 MARJORIE CHODOROV, previously mentioned as the wife of EDWARD CHODOROV, was a visitor at the home of Dr. WEINSTEIN. (S)(u)

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On this same date an unknown individual spoke with LENORA WEINSTEIN, wife of the doctor, and jokingly advised her that ISABEL JOSEPHSON will be going to jail as the Committee on Un-American Activities is going to subpoena all the members of the Anti-Fascist League now that BARSKY has been cited for contempt. LENORA stated that what the Rankin Committee is doing is terrible. (S)

Again on this same date LENORA talked to a friend, ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ ADELE LEVINE, and again they stated that an unknown friend of theirs will probably be going to jail since the Committee on Un-American Activities is going to subpoena all the members of the Anti-Fascist League. At that time LENORA and ADELE agreed that they would meet to formulate plans to start an anti-Fascist league to support their friends and will try to raise money for the league battle. LENORA stated her unknown friend is all upset and that her children were present when the FBI men served summons. (S)

On April 2, 1946 LENORA WEINSTEIN contacted a local bank in Stamford, Connecticut, name unknown at this time, and secured her present balance which was stated to be \$721.50, and at that time she placed an order for 250 personal checks beginning with #176. It is a personal account of one signature and her check is inscribed with her name, LENORA CLATOFF WEINSTEIN, 23 Ralsey Road South, Stamford, Connecticut. (S)(u)

On the same date MARJORIE CHODOROV contacted LENORA WEINSTEIN at which time they engaged in a personal conversation. (S)(u)

On April 3, 1946 this informant advised that JOSEPH ROBERTS, who is now connected with the Communist Party in the state of Connecticut and formerly was a member of the Communist Party in Brooklyn, New York, contacted the home of Dr. WEINSTEIN and asked the whereabouts of LENORA at that time. LENORA was not present. He advised he would recontact the WEINSTEINS at a later date. (S)(u)

On April 6, 1946 ADELE LEVINE, a personal friend of LENORA WEINSTEIN's, engaged LENORA in a personal conversation at which time ADELE relates, after LENORA had contended that her cousin works for the Standard Oil Company on a tanker and is a member of the Communist Party, that her brother and his wife were members of the Communist Party. ADELE's brother likewise works for the Standard Oil Company on a tanker as he joined the Merchant Marine when he thought he was going to be drafted, according to ADELE. In the same conversation LENORA stated she had a relative in the Navy and that he is next in rank to an Admiral. She stated he is Jewish and a very progressive fellow. She mentioned no name at that time. (S)(u)

On this same date informant advised that MARJORIE CHODOROV was again a guest at the WEINSTEIN home. (S)(u)

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On April 8, 1946 informant advised that LENORA WEINSTEIN was in contact with Mrs. ISABEL JOSEPHSON, wife of BARNEY JOSEPHSON, previously mentioned, who is a subject of a Bureau investigation. **CONFIDENTIAL**

On April 12, 1946 LENORA WEINSTEIN in a conversation with JOSEPH WEINSTEIN, brother of ABE, stated that ABE is not feeling too well and that he had a severe pain in his heart and went to see his doctor. LENORA stated ABE would not like LENORA to tell this to JOE but that both she and MORRIS, another brother, think JOE should know about it. The doctor had said that the electro-cardiograph was negative. (S/14)

On the same date LENORA WEINSTEIN had a conversation with Dr. HAROLD AARON. In the course of this talk HAROLD AARON stated he had taken a summer place in Westport and then the conversation pertained to ABE WEINSTEIN's health. Dr. AARON stated that as a result of his examination of ABE this morning he doubts that it is ABE's heart as the electro-cardiograph was negative, but he can't be 100% sure until another examination is made next week. He thinks himself it is a nerve condition as the pain does not come as a result of exertion. (S/14)

On April 13, 1946 EDWARD MICHAELS, chairman of the Stamford Communist Party, contacted LENORA WEINSTEIN in an effort to talk with ABE WEINSTEIN. ABE was busy at the time and MICHAELS talked with LENORA. LENORA stated she saw an ad about a meeting to be held at the high school that looks interesting and inquired if ED was connected with it. He stated that "we have a part in it." (S/14)

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While in New York on April 12 and April 13, 1946, HARRY DEXTER WHITE was placed on surveillance by the following agents: JOHN A. BRODERICK, HOWARD C. KLEBE, J.H. DOYLE, FRANK J. NOLAN, and P. J. O'BRIEN.

WHITE stayed at the Hotel Commodore, New York City from 7:00 p.m. April 12, 1946 to 9:30 a.m. April 13, 1946. WHITE made no telephone calls from the hotel.

April 12, 1946, 4:40 p.m.:

WHITE entered the lobby of the Hotel Commodore, took the elevator to the 17th floor, and entered room 1750. While in the hotel lobby WHITE spoke to PAUL H. APPELBY, Bureau of Budgets, whose mail address is room 252, State Department Building, Washington, D.C. Special Agent J. HENRY DOYLE reported that their conversation was concerned primarily with their families.

April 13, 1946, 9:30 a.m.:

WHITE was observed at the cashier's window where he checked out of the Hotel Commodore. WHITE met an unidentified man in the lobby of the Hotel Commodore. WHITE met an unidentified man in the lobby of the Hotel Commodore. They left the 42nd Street exit of the hotel, entered a taxi cab, and were driven to 895 Park Avenue where both entered at 9:45 a.m. The unidentified person is described as follows:

Age
Height
Weight
Face

Eyes
Dress

40 to 45
5'9" to 5'10"
185 to 200
Round face; fat, flabby double chin.
Wore glasses
Wore light gray or tan suit;
light tan topcoat;
felt hat;
brown shoes

April 13, 1946, 11:40 a.m.:

WHITE and the unidentified man left 895 Park Avenue, and walked to and boarded a downtown IRT Lexington Avenue subway.

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